he had acquired by his own arm (svabhujôpárjita-Nakshisapura-chaturaśtitká), to (a temple of) the Sun under the name Taruṇâdityadêva, which stood on the banks of the river Kaṇavīrikā. The boundaries of the village were—on the east the village of Sihavâhalaka, on the south the village of Râ[jyastha]la, on the west the village of Pêḍhillaka, and on the north the village of Aṁvullaka (Ambullaka). After the usual admonition to preserve this gift, and six imprecatory verses, lines 29-34 give the names of twelve witnesses—four Brâhmans, four merchants, and four Mahattaras. They are followed by the name of the writer, which cannot be read with certainty, and this, again, is followed by the date śrî-Valabhî-samvat 574 Mâyha-śuddha 6, the namerals of which are ordinary decimal figures. The inscription, in line 36, ends with the signatures sva-hastô:[tra] śrî-Va(ba)lavarmmanah || sva-hastah śri-Dhîika, where (the second) sva-hastah is preceded by a mark which seems to represent the actual sign-manual of Dhîika. Who this Dhîika was, does not appear from the present inscription; but the grant B. makes it probable that he was a high official of the king Mahêndrâyudha (Mahêndrapâla), whose permission was necessary for the making of the grant.

B.— Plates of Avanivarman II. Yôga; [Vikrama-]samvat 956.

These are three plates, the second of which is inscribed on both sides, while the first and third are inscribed on one side only. They contain 68 lines of well-preserved writing in Någari characters. The engraving is done carelessly, so that the text contains numerous mistakes, the correction of some of which, especially in two passages where proper names are concerned, is very difficult. The language is Sanskrit. Lines 1-45 contain twenty-four verses which, after glorifying the Sun, treat of the genealogy of the donor and of his and his ancestors' exploits; and two imprecatory verses are cited in lines 65-67; the rest of the text is in prose.

The inscription records a grant of land by the Mahûsûmanta Avanivarman [II.], surnamed Yôga, of the Châlukya race (verse 2). In this race there were two great kings' (mahû-mahipatî), the brothers Kalla and Mahalla (v. 3), the former of whom is eulogized in conventional terms (vv. 5 and 6). Kalla had a son, whose name cannot be made out with confidence (v. 7); and this chief had a son whose name ended with dhavala, and whose full name perhaps was Vâhukadhavala (v. 9). This last named chief destroyed (or defeated) in battle a certain Dharma, conquered kings who were well-known râjādhirāja-paramētraras, and defeated a Karnāta army (vv. 10 and 11). His son was Avanivarman [I.] (v. 12), and his son, again, was Balavarman (the donor of the grant A., above). Balavarman defeated a certain Vishadha (v. 16) from whom he took away a pair of big drums (uru-dhakkā); and, by slaying Jajjapa and other kings, 'freed the carth from the Hûna race' (v. 17). His son was Avanivarman [II.], also called Yôga (v. 18), who routed the armies of a certain Yakshadāsal and other kings whose countries were invaded by him (vv. 19 and 20), and put to flight Dharanivarāha (v. 21).

In lines 45 ff. this Mahâsâmanta Yôga (i.e. Avanivarman II.), a feudatory of the Paramabhattâraka Mahârâjâdhirâja Paramêśvara Mahêndrapâladêva who meditated on the feet of the P.M.P. Bhôjadêva, informs his officials and others, as well as future kings, that, with the approval of the illustrious Dhìika, he gave the village of Amvulaka (Ambulaka), which

Verse 19 records that, after destroying the army of Yakshadâsa, Avanivarman took away from him the pusical instrument (tirya) called Sdyarakshobha.— In my previous account of this inscription I suggested that Yakshadâsa may have ruled the Madra country; but this is wrong. As the engraver of the grant in several other places has engraved m instead of y, the actual reading muditha bhilmin in line 36 must undoubtedly be altered to yuddha-bhilmin, not to Madra-bhilmin.

[?] The inscription, the text of which is not quite certain here, seems to indicate that Dhinks was an entopola or frontier-guard of Mahendrapala's, and that Avanivarman II was a subordirate of his (as his father Balavarman had been before him). See the end of the grant A.

⁴ This village (Ambulaka or Ambullaka) is mentioned also in the grant A.

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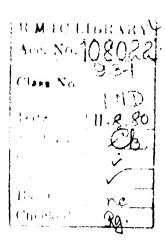
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In February 1904 Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha of Udaipur in Rājputāna most kindly sent me photographs of two Sanskrit inscriptions on copper-plates, which had been found some years before at Ûnâ, a town in the southernmost part of the peninsula of Kāthiāvād, in the Junāgadh State. Both inscriptions are of the reign of the Mahārājādhirāja Mahēndrapāla or, as he is called in one of them, Mahēndrāyudha, of Kanauj, and record grants to a temple of the Sun by two feudatories of his, Balavarman and his son Avantvarman II. Yôga, who belonged to a Chālukya family. One is dated in the [Gupta-] Valabhī year 574, corresponding roughly to A.D. 893; the other in the [Vikrama] year 956, corresponding to about A.D. 899. In March 1904 I gave a short account of the contents of these inscriptions, in Nachrichton d. K. Gas. d. Wissenschaften zu Göttingen, and I have since tried to secure impressions of the originals. Not having succeeded in doing so, I now venture to publish the texts from Mr. Ojha's photographs.

A .- Plates of Balavarman; Valabhi-samvat 574.

These are two plates, each of which is inscribed on one side only. They contain 36 lines of on the whole well-preserved writing in Nagari characters.³ The language is Sanskrit; it is generally easy to understand, but line 17 contains a revenue term which I have not met with elsewhere and am unable to explain. Lines 7-9 give two verses on the vanity of fortune, etc., and the necessity of works of piety, and lines 22-29 six of the ordinary imprecatory verses; the rest is in prose.

The inscription records a grant of land by the Mahåsåmanta Balavarman, the son of Avanivarman [I.], of the Châlukya lineage, a feudatory, who had obtained the five mahåsåbdas, of the Paramabhattåraka Mahåråjådhiråja Paramäšvara Mahêndråyudhadêva who meditated on the feet of the P.M.P. Bhôjadêva. From Nakshisapura, Balavarman informs the various officials and others that, after fasting on the sixth tithi of the bright half of Mågha, he gave the village of Jayapura, belonging to the Nakshisapura group of eighty-four which

¹ See Indian Atlas, quarter sheet 13, S. E., Long. 71° 5', Lat. 21° 49'.

² Since no facsimiles can be published, it would be uscless to give full particulars regarding the forms of individual letters; but I may mention here that the conjuncts ry and rth are denoted by (well-known), special signs which contain no superscript r.

belonged to the Nakshisapura eighty-four (Nakshisapura-chaturasiti) in the Saurashtra mandala, to (a temple of) Tarunadityadeva, located near the river Kanavirika in the vicinity of the village of Jayapura.¹ The boundaries of the village were—on the east the village of Viyaraka, on the south the village of Jayapura, on the west the villages of Senduvaka and Korinthaka, and on the north the village of Vavulika. After the usual admonition to preserve this gift and two imprecatory verses, the inscription, in line 68, ends with the date samuat 956 Mägha-sudi 6, the numerals of which here also are ordinary decimal figures.

The Châlukya chiefs mentioned in the preceding are not known from other inscriptions. The large Bilhari inscription, in *Ep. Ind.* Vol. I. p. 266, mentions a *Chaulukya* Avanivarman whose daughter Nohalâ was married by the Kalachuri Chêdi king Yuvarâja I. Kêyûravarsha. That Avanivarman may have been a contemporary² of Avanivarman II. Yêga of our grant B.; but—even assuming that the terms *Châlukya* and *Chaulukya* might be used synonymously³—he cannot be identical with him, because his father and grandfather were Sadhanva and Simhavarman (not Balavarman and Avanivarman).

For Balavarman, a feudatory of Mahêndrâyudha (Mahêndrapâla), the grant A. furnishes a date in about A.D. 893. We therefore may assume that his grandfather Vâhukadhavala (?) lived about the middle of the 9th century A.D., and was almost certainly a feudatory of Mahêndrapâla's predecessor Bhôjadêva (Mihira) of Kanauj, for whom we possess dates from A.D. 843 to A.D. 881. Now in the inscription No. 77 of my Southern List this Mihira (Bhôjadêva) is stated to have been defeated by the Gujarât Râshtrakûta Dhruvarâja II. This at any rate would show that he was at war with the Râshtrakûtas; and I believe that such a war is actually referred to in the account of Vâhukadhavala's (?) exploits related in the grant B. In my opinion, the Karnâta army which is said to have been defeated by him can only have been an army of the Râshtrakûtas. As regards (the king) Dharma who is stated to have been destroyed (or defeated) by the same chief, I know of no king Dharma who could have been a contemporary of his, excepting the well-known Pâla king Dharmapâla, and I see no reason why Dharma should not be identified with that Pâla king, who at one time or another undoubtedly was at war with the rulers of Kanauj.

Balavarman himself defeated a certain Vishadha, and by slaying Jajjapa and other kings 'freed the earth from the Hûna race.' Who Vishadha was, it is impossible to say. Wars with Hûna kings are frequently mentioned in Indian inscriptions of the Middle Ages, and we know of a Hûna princess, Âvalladêvî, who was married by the Kalachuri Karna in the 11th century; but in recording the name of Jajjapa our grant B. for the first time discloses the name of an individual Hûna king, who must be placed in about the last quarter of the 9th century.

The Kings or chiefs mentioned as opponents of Avanivarman II. Yôga, for whom we have a date in about A.D. 899, are Yakshadâsa and Dharanivarâha. The former is unknown to us. The latter I do not hesitate to identify with the Châpa Mahâsâmantâdhipati Dharanivarâha, / known to us from his Haddâlâ plates which were issued from Vardhamâna (or Wadhwân in

¹ This village was granted to the same temple of the Sun by the grant A.

² A daughter of the Kalacnuri Yuvarâja I., Kundakadêvî, was married by the Râshtrakûta Amôghavarsha III. Baddiga, for whom we now possess dates in A.D. 937 and 939

In Nos. 354 and 356 of my Northern List certain chiefs are described as both Châlukyas and Chaulukyas.

See my note on the grammarians' ajayaj=Jartô Hândn in Nachrichten d. K. Ges. d. Wissenschaften su
Göttingen; 1903, p. 305 ff. The Pala Dévapala humbled the pride of the Hûnas (Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 163, v. 13);
according to the Kharda plates of the Râshtrakûta Kakkarâja II. Amôghavarsha of A.D. 972 this king fought
battles with the lord (or lords) of the Hûnas (Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 265, l. 32); the Paramara Utpala
(Muñjaråja) took away the life of the Hûnas (ibid. Vol. XVI. p. 23, l. 41); his younger prother Sindhurāja
conquered the king of the Hûnas (Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 285, v. 16); etc.

See my Northern List, No. 353.

Kathiavad) in A.D. 914, and in which he is represented as a feudatory of a Rájádhirája Mahipaladéva whose proper identification, as will be seen below, can no longer offer any difficulty.

The place Nakshisapura, the nine villages mentioned in connection with the two grants, and the river Kaṇavirikā I have not, I regret to say, been able to identify. The main point of general interest connected with these localities is, that the Nakshisapura group of eighty-four, which was held by the two denors, according to the inscription B. belonged to the Saurāshṭra manḍala. The name Surāshṭra we know to denote the southern part of Kāṭhiâvāḍ; and since the two chiefs Balavarman and Avanivarman II. describe themselves as foudatories of the Mahārājādhirāja Mahândrāyudhadēva or Mahāndrapāladēva (of Kanauj), it follows from these inscriptions that towards the end of the 9th century A.D. the kingdom of Kanauj extended as far south as, and included, the province of Kāṭhiāvāḍ. Moreover, it becomes quite certain now that the Rajādhirāja Mahipāladēva, who in the Haḍḍāla plates of A.D. 914 is mentioned as the overlord of the Chāpa Mahāsāmantādhipati Dharapīvarāha, must be identified with the Mahārājādhirāja Mahīpāladēva of Kanauj (whose Asnī inscription is dated in about A.D. 917), the successor of Mahāndrapāladēva, and cannot have been one of the Chūḍāsamās of Girnār-Junāgaḍh.

In the grant A. the king, known to us from the grant B. and other inscriptions as Mahêndrapâla, is called Mahêndrâyudha. This name of course at once recalls the names Indrâyudha and Chakrâyudha, the former denoting a king who according to the Harivamśa-Purâna was ruling the north in Śaka-samvat 705=A.D. 783-84, and the latter another king, to whom the sovereignty of Mahôdaya (Kanauj) was given, after the defeat of Indrarâja (i.e., in my opinion, Indrâyudha), by the Pâla Dharmapâla, and who was defeated by Nâgabhaṭa,¹ the grandfather of Bhôjadêva of Kanauj. It may also be mentioned that in Râjaśêkhara's Karpūramañjari² a certain merchant is represented as having gone to 'Kanauj, the capital of Vajrâyudha, the king of Pañchâla.' That story would seem to show that in the opinion of Râjaśêkhara, who was Mahêndrapâla's guru, a name with the somewhat unusual ending 6yudha, such as Vajrâyudha, was a suitable or characteristic name of a Kanauj king. Most probably Mahêndrapâla himself was known to Râjaśôkhara also by the name Mahêndrâyudha.

The date of the grant A., *sri-Valabhi-samrat 574 Mågha-suddha 6, is by a long way the earliest date in which we find the technical expression Valabhi-samrat. In the inscriptions of the Valabhi kings themselves the year of a date is ordinarily preceded by only sam, rarely by samrat; and hitherto the earliest inscription containing the term Valabhi-samrat was the Vêrâval inscription of the temple-priest Bhâva-Bihaspati of Valabhi-samrat 850 (No. 503 of my Northern List). In the Môrbî plate of Jâinka (ibid. No. 502) of the year 585 of the same era the number 585 in line 19 is preceded by simply samrat, while in line 17 the year is described as a Gaupta (i.e. Gupta) year.—It is curious that in Kâthiâvâd we should find the Gupta-Valabhî, Vikrama and Saka eras employed in dates of the same period and in almost the same localities.

A.—PLATES OF BALAVARMAN; VALABHI-SAMVAT 574.

TEXT.3

First Plate.

l Om' [||*] Jayaś-ch-åbhyudayaś-cha || Svasti [||*] Nakshisapurāt-paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâj[â]dhi-

¹ Of Nagabhata Mr. Gaurishanker Hirachand Olika has discovered in the Jodhpur State a stone inscription dated in about A.D. 815 (samratsara-talit?) 872).

² See Dr. Sten Konow's edition, pp. 74 and 268.

^{*} From a photograph supplied by Mr. Gaurishankar Hirschand Ojha.

Denoted by a symbol.

- 2 rája-paramésvara-srí-Bhójadéva-pád[å*]nudhyáta-paramabhattáraka-mahárájádhirája-para-
- 3 mésvara-árî-**Mahêndrâyudhadêva-**pâda-prasâdâkshata-¹samadhigata-pañchamah â á a v d a (bda)-mahâsâmantaá-[**Ch]â-**
- 4 lukyanvaya-prasûta-śri-2Avanivarmma-suta-śri-Va(ba)lavarmma sarvvan-êva raja-rajasthaniy-ôparik-âmâ-
- 5 tya-[châ]tabhaṭa-bhaṭṭa-[da]ṇḍavâ(pâ)śika-daṇḍ[ô]ddharaṇika-³dramgika-mahattara-châru-⁴ châra-bhaṭa-hastyaśvôrôbha(ha)ka-prabhṛitîḥ 1º
- 6 yuktaka-niyuktakâm svân=â(a)nyâm[s-cha] yathâsamva(ba)dhyamânakânsamanuvô(bô)dhayaty=astu vah samviditam yathâ padma-pattê
- 7 sthita-jala[va] taralā śrī drishţa-nashtañ-cha jîvitamh 7 | Padmapatra-jalavimdu- chamchalam jîvitavyam-akhilâś-cha sampadah |
- 8 ity-avêtya jagatah sthiti[m*] nripâh kim dhanaih kuruta dharmmam-animdyah*
 || Pallavâgra-jalavimdu-chamchalê klêśa-
- 9 jâla-parivêshtitê bhavê | yê na chimtayati karmma-satpatham tasya janma bhavat-îha nihphalam'ê || êvam sarvyam-adhruv**ê**-
- 10 m=âlô[kya] dharmnô matih sthâpyntâm [[Tan-mayâ ¹⁾svabhujôpârjita-Nakshisapurachaturaśltikâ-prativa(ba)ddhô Jayapur-â-
- 11 bhidhânô grâmaḥ¹⁹ **Māgha-śuklapaksha-shashṭhy**âm¹³ upôpya(shya) gandha-dhûpa-pushya(shpa)-dîpa-suâna-vilêpan-ôpalêpana-[saumâ?]-¹⁴
- 12 rjana-khandasphutita-sudhâ-kûrehchak-âdi-ŝuśru(śrû)shâ-kritê sva-mâtâpitrôr=âtmanaś cha¹ō aihik-âmushm[i*]ka-puŋya-yaśō-
- 13 bhivriddhayê bhagavatah sarit-Kaṇavirikâ-taṭ-âvasthita-Sahasradîdhitêh śrîmatas Taru[nâ]dityadêvâya¹⁶ bhakti-bhâ-
- 14 vita-manasâ¹⁷ udak[â*]tisarggêṇa dharmmadâyô nisrishṭaḥ pratipâditaś=cha || Yasya pûrvyataḥ Sîhavâhalaka-grâma-
- 15 sîmâ maryâd[â*] [î*] dakshinatah Rê[jyastha]la-grâma-sîmâ maryâdâ | aparatah Pêdhillaka-grâma-sîmâ [ma*]ryâdâ | utta-
- 16 ratah Amvullaka-18grama-sima maryada évain chaturaghatta(ta)n-ôpalakshitah sa-bhôgabhagah sa-hirany[4*]danah
- 17 sa-daṇḍadaśâparâdhaḥ sa-sîmâparyantaḥ s-ôdra[m*]gaḥ sa-vṛikshamâlâkulaḥ sa-parikaraḥ chôllakavaiṇivai-
- 18 gikakôshyadi-sahitah¹⁹ âchâṭabhaṭapravêśa-varjjitô²⁰ bhûmichchhidra-nyûyêna dharmmadâyô nigṛi(sṛi)shṭaḥ ||
- 19 Asya bhumjatô bhôjāpayatah krishatah karshāpayatô vā asmad-vamšajair-anyairvvā bhôktribhih

This of course cannot be right, but the actual reading does not suggest to me a suitable conjecture.

10 Read nishphalum. 11 Originally srdbhuo was engraved, but the sign for 4 has been struck out.

¹ Read, probably, -prasadikrita-.

² Read -try-.

³ Instead of this word which I do not remember to have met with elsewhere, I should have expected here, next to dandopásika, as in other grants, -chauróddharanika-.

It is just possible that the two aksharas charu were struck out in the original, and that the intended reading therefore is -chara-bhata-.

Bead -prabbritin-ayuktaka-niyuktakan-.

⁶ Read -pattra-sthita-jalavat-tarald frire.

⁷ Rend fivitam.

Metre of this verse and of the next: Rathoddhata .- Read Padmapattra.

¹³ Read shashthyam. 14 Read sammarjana.

15 Read shashthyam. 14 Read sammarjana.

16 Read shashthyam.

Read =ch=.
 Read, in accordance with the preceding, "dêrasya.
 Here and in other places solow the rules of saidhi have not been observed.

¹⁸ Read Ambullaka-; in line 54 of the grant B. the name is spelt Amrulaka-.

¹⁸ This term, the reading f which is quite clear in the photograph, I am unable to explain. The word chollike occurs above, Vol. III. p. 267, 1 23; and Prof. Hultzsch draws my attention to Vol. VI. p. 88, note 9.

²º One would have expected here achdfabhatapravbiah, and some other term ending with varjitah (like v.g., pareadatta-devabrahmaddya-va-yitah).

20 pratishê[dhô] na karanîyah pâlayitavyaś=cha || yatah sâm[â*]nyam bhûmidâna-phalam=avêty=âyam=asmad-dâ-

Second Plate.

- 21 yð=numantavyð ssmat-príty-ábhyarthanayá cha pálaníya iti || Tathá ch-óktain [bha]gava-
- 22 tá vyásé(sé)na¹ Vyáséna || ²Yân=îha dattāni purā narêndraiḥ dânāni dharmunârtha-yaśa-
- 23 s-karâni | nirmmâlya-vânta-pratimâni tâni kô nâma sâdhuh punar-âdadîta ||
- 24 Shashtir=vvarsha-sahasrāṇi svarggê tishthati bhûmidaḥ [[â]chchh [ê]ttâ ch= ânumantâ cha [tâny=ê]-
- 25 va narakê vasêt || Va(ba)hubhir-vvasudhâ bhuktâ râjanaiḥ⁴ Sâgar-âdibhiḥ | yasya yasya yadâ [bhû]-
- 26 mis-tasya tasya tadâ phalam || ^bShashţir-vvarsha-sahasrâni ^bshashţir-vvarsha-satâni [cha] | [gavâm kôţi-pradânê]-
- 27 na bhûmi-harttâ na fudhyati || Vimdhy-âṭavîshv-atòyâsu(su) sushka-kòṭaravâsinah | [krishnâhayō hi jâ]-
- 28 yantê bhûmi-dayam haratti(nti) yê || Sva-dattâm para-datt[âm*] vâ ya[tn]âd=raksha narâdhipa | mahîm mahîbh[ritâm śrêshṭha]
- 29 dànách=chhréyō=nupālanam || 🕲 || Ava(tra) sākshî vra(brå)hmaṇa-Dôhaḍa-suta-Bhāvaḥ | tathā vrā(brā)hmaṇa-[Kau . ?]-
- 30 nara-suta-Nāgēšvaraḥ || tathā vrā(brā)hmaṇa-Jajjaka-suta-Hariḥ || tathā vrā(brā)hmaṇa-Bhā[skara]-suta-
- 31 Vâsudêvah || tatha vaṇik⁶ Nôgha-suta-Isuvah | tatha vaṇik⁶ Nâga-suta-Pâ[ha]llah || ta-
- 32 thâ ⁷vaṇi-Jeulla-suta-Nannakaḥ | tathâ vaṇak⁸ Samgama-suta-Dêuthaḥ || tathâ śa(ma)huttara-Dram[g]iya-
- 33 suta-Sîhaḥ | tuthâ ma(ma)hattara-Gôvâsa-suta-Ajainaḥ | tathâ mahattara-Gôvâsa-suta-Mêha[ri]pa[ka|-
- 34 h | tuthâ mahattara-Dhûra-suta-Kanhakah || Likhitam ch-aitan-mi(ma)yâ kulaputraka-PDatta-suta-[Dhâ?]-
- 35 [r]adi_tyê]n=êti || @ || Śri-Valabhi-samvat 574 Magha-śuddha 6 || @ ||
- 36 Sya-hastô=[tra] śri-Va(ba)lavarmmaņaḥ || 🂢 10 sva-hastaḥ śri-Dhîika¹¹ || 🕲 ||

B.—PLATES OF AVANIVARMAN II. YOGA; [VIKRAMA-]SAMVAT 956. TEXT.¹²

First Plate.

- l Óm¹³ [||*] Jayaś=ch=âbhy[u*]dayaś-cha || Jayati¹é jagatâm prasûtir=viśv-âtmâ sahaja-bhûshanam nabhasah | drutaka-
- 2 nakasadriśa-daśaśatamayûkha-māl-ârchataḥ¹6 Savitâ || [1*] ¹6Ast-îba sârô va(ba)hir=amtarâ cha chchhidraiḥ parî-

Read vanig-No.

¹ Read, probably, vedavyásina. 2 Metre: Indiavajra.

Metre of this verse and the rest: Sloka (Anushtubh) .- Read shashtim varsha.

⁴ Read rajabhih Sagar. 6 Read shushiim varsha.

Read vanig-Je. "Road vanik-Sam".

^{*} The same word occurs e.g. in Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 101, line 69.

¹⁶ This mark, which does not look like a letter, apparently represents the signature of Dhika.

¹¹ One would have expected . Dhikusya. See line 52 of the grant B.

¹² From a photograph supplied by Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha.

Denoted by a symbol.

¹⁴ Metre : Âryā.

¹⁵ Read -mal-dchitan 16 Metre: Indravajra.

- 3 tô na vipatraśatah | bhêdyah parair-n-aiva mahîpatînâm Va(oha)lukya-nâm=spara-tunga-[vam]sah |(||) [2*] \$Va(ba)bhûva-
- 4 tuti(s-ta)[tra] mahâ-mahîpatî mah[â*]-matî Kalla-Ma[ha]lla-samjñitau | yayôh sitâ kîrttir-upâgamad-gu-
- 5 naih parâm prasiddhih(m) satata[m*] sumrmalaih || [3*] ³Saubhrâtrañ-cha yayor-âsî(sî)d-anyonyam-avibhita(nna)-
- 6 yð[ḥ*] ||(|) kalavappapamåmyåtain⁴ Râma-Lakshmaṇay[ð]r≈iva || [4*] Madhyð nripånām suvibhûyi(shi)tânām
- 7 rarāja Kallaḥ kula-kî[r*]tti-yu[kta]ḥ | kā[m*]tyā mahatyā sthirayā śriyā va(cha) kalpadrumāṇām=i-
- 8 va pârijâta[ḥ] || [5*] Râjya[m]* ma[chra?]* mahîpatau guṇagaṇ-âlamkârabhûtê sati kshînâ[râ]ti-pa-
- 9 råkram-ån[v]ita-tanau nirbhåtika⁸ såsati | lôkånåm=abbavan=manð rati-yuta[m*] dharmma-pra-
- 10 [dh]âna[m] sadâ tushtir=[vva(bba)ndhu]janasya gaunya-janitâ dânañ-cha satyattisha(?)9 || [6*] 10Tasmân=mahis[â*]devi-
- 11 tatôkavîrttih¹¹ lakshmî-nidhânam śaranam guṇânâm ||(|) śauryasya bhûmir= vvasatir-mmatînâm
- 12 râjairyabhâma(?)¹³ tanayâ(yô) va(ba)bhûva || [7*] ¹³Valgattyaraggamâtugamattamâtamga-duggamân | yach-cha-
- 13 ndadandatasrastāḥ šatratð-siśriyan-vana || [8*] Ajani¹⁴ tatô-pi śrîmânh[ngâ ?]hukadhavalô¹⁶
- 14 mahávu(nu)bhávô yaḥ | dha[r*]mmam=avann= api nityain raṇôtyamô(?) | nînasadramain¹6 |(||) [9*] 17Râjâdhirâ-
- 15 ja-paramôśvara-bhūminā[th]ān-yas-tān-api svabhuja-vîrya-vasād-vijig[y]ð |
- 16 nistramsaulbhrayavilû[jî]ripûttimågair-avjair-iv8

kshiti-talam

Second Plate : First Side.

- 1 Read ripattrafákhah, i.e. both ri-pattra-tákhah, 'without leaves and branches,' and ripattra-tákhah, 'whose branches protect from misfortune.' A bamboo (ramsa) has leaves and branches. But the Châlukya race (ramsa) is a different kind (apara) of ramsa, one that has no leaves and branches, i.e., in the other sense of the adjective, it is a race the branches of which protect from misfortune. Similarly the other cpithets in the verse suggest other differences between the two kinds of ramsa. The word apara of the last Pâda is practically equivalent to apara, which is employed in a similar verse above, Vol. III. p. 208, line 6 of the text. Apara is used in the same way (not in the sense 'before which no other excels') in the verse in Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 193, line 10.
 - ² Metre: Vaméastha.
 - · Read kuladharmma-samayatam.
 - 6 Metre : Sårdålavikridita.
 - Read, probably, nirbhitikam.
 - 10 Metre: Indr. vajrA.

- * Metre: Sloka (Anushtubh).
- Metre : Upajāti.
- 1 Read yatra.
- Read, perhaps, sampattijam.
- 11 Read vitat-bruktrttire.
- 12 I am unable to give the name of the chief, concealed in this corrupt passage. The verse would be right if we were to read Rajendra-némā, but I am not sure about this conjecture.
- 11 Metre: Ślóka(Anushtubh)...- Read the verse: Valgat-turangamát= tumga-matta-mátamga-durggamát | yach-chandadandatas=trastāh satravó=sisriyan=vanam || For chandadanda wee above, Vol. VI. p. 10, v. 20,
 - 14 Metre : Arya.
- 15 Here again I cannot give confidently the name intended in the original. The right reading may possibly be friming Vihukadhavalb.
 - 16 Read ran-ddyato uninated Dharman. The name at the end of the verse undoubtedly is Dharman.
- 11 Metre: Vasantatils A .-- Read the second half of the verse: histrinsa-nirdayarilana-ripattamangairs abjair-iva kehiti-talari samari pravidhya 1
 - 18 Metre: Sragdhars .- Read Kuntaprasasihasta.

- 18 Karnnatam sai(sai)nyam=Ajô(jau) bhayarahita-mana bhūrisô=bhu(nu)pravisya | êkâkî khadga-
- yashtya drutam-atisitayal yo-rimuddhi-pravaha[in] vah-arudho-vagadham 19
- sutò cvanivarmmanama saurya-prata-
- pa-vinay-âdi-gunautapêtah4 | saunâhavad=bh[ri*]śam=imâm=ayatâ dharitrîm= anvarthatan=nijam=a-
- yêna nama |(||) [12*] ⁵Avaniva[r*]mmani ya[tra] 22sukarmmani vyathita-śâtravamarmmani varmmani(?) [1]
- yuvati-nirmita-narmmani bhûpatô(tau) na janatâbhir=asa[r*]mmani sa[m*]kitam || [13*] Tasya6 sûnur=ajan=îha
- mitra-va(ba)ndh[u]janamtahira-7sa[r]mma | kirttito 24 vidita-satravamarma yð janair-abhi-
- dhaya Va(ba)lavarmma | [14*] ⁸Satatam=avitath-8ktih snâna-jâpy-âdi-śâ(śî)lah pranayisatasahasrâ-
- dhîna-vistirmasainpat | bhrijasuru-vihit-asô yah sad=arabhya va(ba)lyatvi(t=Tri)-26 navana-charan-â-
- rchchâśilavân=samprajatam(h) [(||) [15*] Prathita-karituramgam śatanistrimśa-panih10 Vishadham=avaśa-
- m-îsah sâdhu jitvâ samîkô [1*] sthirataram urudhakkâ-yugman = âsu dradhîyan 11 28 śruti-sukha-
- yô=grahîn-ma[m*]dra-nâdain || [16*] Chatura-turaga-durggân-samyati dam=akhinnô dhvasta-satru[h*] sphuta-
- jagatîśân¹² **Jajjap-**âdîn=nihatya | prasabham=abhimanaskô 30 m≃iba yô vyadhatta [ksh]itiso
- bhuvanam:idam-ahînô Hûna-vamsêna hînarh || [17*] Kuvalayadala-nêtrah sannat-âmśasthala-13
- 32 kah 1 prakatam = Ava[n]ivarmmā [n]âma tasy=[â]tmaj[ô]= bhût | prithulakatir-udarah kshama-ma-
- 33 dhyas-tathâ yô vidita iha jagatyâm Yôga-nâmn-âparêna | [18*] Samerame14 Yakshadasa[m*] 'va(ba)la-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 34 m-a[kh]ilam-apil5 dh vamsayitvå pravirô yah samjagraha turyam patutaraniuadam Sågarakshôbha-
- **S**5 nama | yasy=âlanikâra-bhûtâm¹⁶ jita-ripa jagrihuh pattayô = pi pratitâh śainkha-[chchha]tra-dhvajadî-17
- 36 n=ahamahamikayâ mu(yu)ddha-bhûmim pravisya | [19*] Kôdaņda-dhvasta-dharāsara-kara-nakharð vi[kra]m-âva(ba)ddha-
- lilâbhim(nn)-ânyaśê(sê)nâ-samadagajaghatâ-tumbhatumgasthalikê! 37 chittô vasmin= â[kra]mya bh û mi m
 - 1 Read =atifitayd y6=rimurddha.
 - ² Metre: Vasantatilaka.— Read Tasmåd=ajåyata.

 - ^h Metre: Drutavilambita. " Metre: Svagata.
 - Metre of verses 15-18: Målini. · Read drija-garu-,
 - 11 Road dradhlydn=.
- 12 Read jugatisans.
 - 18 Read sannat-ameasthalikah prac. 14 Metre of verses 19 and 20: Sragdhara.
 - 18 The syllable pi was originally omitted and is engraved in the margin.
 - 16 Read -bhutanu. 17 Read -chchhattra-dhraj-adt-.
 - 18 Rend -tumga-kumbhasthalike i yasminn-.

- ² Read srasta-khêdam.
- 4 Read -quair-upstah.
- 1 Read -bandhujanat-dhita -.
- 10 Read -pdnir=.

- sighavad=Yakshadasa-[kshô]nip-adyaiskumragair=ivas nijā 38 [stbi]tavati hi ripunivahaih duratah sam-
- pranésé || [20*] ⁸Vyômnâ vAmtam=adhikam mrigay[â*]-priyô yah 39 munchati sa kim Dharantvarahah [1*] maty=0-
- [vô]mpuruhaya6 saha6(s)=aiva yasya dûrân=nanâm6a6 matimâm Dharanivarâhah 40 || [21*] 7Khadga-khamdita-dhandara[m]8
- runda-mundaigha-manditati | yatr=ajibh[a*]ji sasapanai10 jați[ti] ranamganam || [22*] "Narapatim=amuri muktvå
- sa[m*]prati trijagati kalau sati paritratum áaktô na kaschid-ap-tha 42 kålå mâm | su[ja]na-niva[hô] ma-
- tv=8tiva unatikamavi[kra]ma19 sarapa-manasain 43 árimamtam yam samasrayad u[chchhr]ita[m*] || [23*] Tônala prava(cha)ndamaruda[bhra]-
- [padmasth?]itâmvu(bu)kanikâ-ta[ra]lâtan=âsû[n]14 | chalå[m*] vi[bhûtida?] vidy[u*]dvilåsa-va(cha)palåñ=cha vichi[m*]tya la-
- kshitidana-dha[r]mmah || [24*] kshmim pravartyata sphutam=ayath cba mahasamanta-ári-Yôga évam=u[kta?]van patha16
- 16sapråmn e êv=âbhisam vadhyakām svan=anyams=[cha] gamibhavi-bhapalains-cha samanuvô(bô)dhayaty=astu
- vah samviditam yath=asmabhih pratapapranata-samastasamanta-so(mau)limal-archita-47 charanayu-
- sasadharakaranikar-âmalayasa[h#]pravâha-dhavalita-dharâyalayasya 48 galasya samihitabhya-
- dhikapradan-anandita-vamdivrind-opagiyamana-samastagunaganasya paramabhattara-49
- ka-mah[a*]rājādhirāja-parami(mē)švara-śri-Bhôjadi(dē)va-pādānu d h y ā t a-p a r a m a-50
- bhattaraka-mahar [a*] jadhira ja-paramê śvara-śri-Mah e m d r a p a l a d e v a p r a s a-17 51

Third Plate.

- tanti(nni)yukta-tam[tramdra?]pâla19-śri-Dhiika-prativa(ba)ddhais= påda-prasåd-åvåpta18 ta-
- Sau(sau)rashtramandal-antahpati-Nakshisapurachatura(ra)siti-53 d-anumatyå cha prati-

1 Read -adyaih kuramgair - iva ripu-nivahair .. 1 Read nijam simhavad=.

- Metre: Vasantatilaka.- The general meaning of the verse clearly is that a certain Dharanivaraha, for whose identification see above, p. 3 f., was put to flight by, or fled before, Avanivarman. But I am not sure about every detail of the verse. - The first words of the verse perhaps are either eyomn-dpi yamtam- or eyomna prayâmtam=.
 - · Read sattvam.

⁶ I cannot correct this.

• Read -nandsa matiman =.

- Metre : Śloka (Anushtubh).
- Read, probably, -danddram (in the sense of 'elephant'). · Read -mund-augha ..
 - 10 Read fastra-panau.

" Metre : Harini.

12 Read Trivikrama-vikramam.

12 Metre : Vasantatilakå.

- 14 Read -taralams=tath=dsun.
- Bead yatha (?); but the words evam=uktaran yatha would be quite out of place here.
- 16 Read sarvran-év-ubhisambadhyamanakan-svan-anyami-ch-agamibhavi-.
- 17 These two aksharas (the first two syllables of the word pracedda) are quite out of place here. In agreement with the preceding anjectives one would have expected -Mahéndrapáladérasya, but the writer proceeds as if the whole preceding passage, co much clag with pratapapranata, were a single compound, qualifying Mahemdrapaladéra-.
- 18 Here, in my opinion, some words have been omitted. As the text stands, we do not learn from it what the chief Yoga had received from Mahandrapala.
- 10 The two aksharas in brackets are quite doubtful. I can only suggest that the intended reading may possibly be -tadamtapala-.

- 54 va(ba)ddhal-Amvulak-abhidhana-gramah sa-vrikshamalakulah sa-simaparyan[t*]ah
- 55 sa-bhògabhàgah sa-hiranyâdànah sa-dandadasaparadhah sabhajamanavêshtikah
- 56 sakala-rājakiyānām=ahastaprakshēpaṇīma(ya) â-chamdr-ārksh(rkk)-ārṇṇava-kshitisarit-par[vv]ata-sama-
- 57 kâlînah³ ih=aiva **Jayapura-**grâm-âbhyâsê **Kaṇavîrikā-sari**d-upakaṇṭhê nivish[ṭ*]a-Ta[ru]ṇā-
- 58 dityadêvâya khandasphutita-suka(dhâ)-dugdha-kû[r]chchaka-snapana-vilêpana-pushpa-dhûpa-dîpa-t[ai]la-nê(nai)vê-
- 59 dya-darik-âdy-upakritayê m[â*]tâpitrôr=âtmanaś=ch=[ai]hik-âmushmika-puṇya-yaś[ô]-bhivriddhayê bhûmichchhidra-
- 60 nyây[e*]na pravi(ti)pâditas=tad=ayam svadha[r*]mmadâya-nirthi(rvi)\$êpra(sha)h pâlaya(yi)tavyô 5nuna(ma)ntavyaś=cha|| yaśya(sya) ch=â-
- 61 ghâṭanâni pûr[vv]atô **Viyaraka**-grâma-sîmâ | dakshiṇatô **Jayapura**-grâmasînâ(mâ) || aparataḥ Sê-
- 62 nduvaka-Kôrinthaka-grâma-sîmê | uttaratah Vavulika-grâma-sîmê | tad=ê[na]m chaturâghâṭanò(na)-pari-
- 63 kshipta-grāmain bhumjatô bhôjayataḥ ksha(kri)shataḥ karsha[ya]taḥ pratidišatê(tô) râ(vâ) na kaischa[n=â]lp-āpi paripam-
- 64 than vyásé vá káryah | yatah sâmanyasanapalam=avity=5àsmat-prîtya pâlanîya ita(ti) || Tathâ d(ch)=ô-
- 65 ktain Vyášé(sé)na i 6Va(ba)hubhir-vvasudhá bhuktá rájani(bhi)h Śa(sa)garádibhih [i*] yaśra⁷ yanya yadá bhūmiśuša tasya ta-
- 66 rå palam || ⁸[Y]ân=îha dahâ[na]⁹ purâ narêndrair=ddânâni¹⁰ | mmārsragrasaskarāni | nirmmalyavāna-prati-
- 67 mâni tâni kô nâma śâ(sâ)dhuh punar=Adadîta II
- 08 Samvat 958 Magha-sudi 6 [||*]

No. 2.— VASANTGADH INSCRIPTION OF PURNAPALA; THE VIKRAMA YEAR 1099.

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About the year 1840 the stone, which bears this inscription, was taken by Captain T. S. Burt from a tank at Vasantgadh¹¹ in the Sirohi State of Råjputåna, and the inscription was published in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. Vol. X. p. 664 ff., from a very unsatisfactory transcript prepared by Pandit Kamalåkånta. For a long time the stone soems to have been lost sight of; but it has lately been rediscovered by my indefatigable friend, Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha of Udaipur, and is now deposited at the town of Sirohi. I re-edit the text from impressions which have been kindly sent to me by Mr. Ojha.

¹ Read oddh-Ambulak. In line 16 of the grant A. the name is spet Ameullaka.

² Read sot padyamanavishtikah (or ecoshtikah, which occurs often elsewhere).

Road kalina.

Read rydsfdho.

Read samanyam dana-phalam=artiy=.

Metre: Slôka (Anushtubh).

¹ Road yasya yasya yada bhumis=tasya tasya tada pha'am.

Metre: Indravajrā. Read dattāni.

¹⁶ Read "ni dharmm-Artha-yasas-karins | nirmmalya-canta-.

¹¹ Vasantgadh (Basantgadh) apparently is situated to the fast of Mount Abû, but I do not find it on the map of the Kajputana Agency. At or near the same piece an important inscription of the time of king Varmalata, of the [Vikrama] year 082, has lately been discovered.

The inscription contains 23 lines of writing which covers a space of about 2' broad by 1'41" high. At the upper proper right corner part of the stone is broken away, so that between about 15 and 2 aksharas are missing at the commencement of lines 1-9. Otherwise the writing is well preserved and may be read with certainty nearly throughout. The size of the letters is between 1 and 8". The characters generally differ little from the ordinary Nagari, but they include a few signs which are peculiar to the earlier northern inscriptions. The letter b overywhere is denoted by a sign of its own, and the secondary & is often written by a superscript line : once (in Tvashtuh=prasadate, 1. 13) we have the sign of the upadhmaniya; and once (in bharyam, 1. 12) the conjunct ry is made up of the full sign for r and the secondary form of u. Between verses 32 and 33 and at the end of the text a conch-shell has been engraved, and between verses 33 and 34 a circular ornament. The language of the inscription is Sanskrit, and, excepting the words asy=anvayô=pi and nagar-anvayô=pi in lines 8 and 13, the whole is in verse. Both the language and the verses often are incorrect, and as a piece of literary composition the inscription is worthless. Here, to show how very limited was the author's knowledge of grammar, I need only point out forms such as namam, 1. 5, vésmam, 1. 9, vésmaih, 1. 14, and vyômê, l. 21 (for nama, vêśma, véśmabhih, and vyômni), from passages regarding the reading of which there cannot be any doubt. And what liberties were taken by him, simply for the sake of the metre, in the spelling of words, may be seen from instances like Paranipala. 1. 7. samdhi-, 1. 19, svapána-, 1. 15 (for Pûrnnapála-, samdhi-, sopána-), otc.1

The object of the inscription is, to record that a queen named Lühini, a younger sister of the Paramära Pürnapäla and widow of a king Vigraharäja, at Vaṭa² (Vaṭa-nagara, Vaṭa-pura) restored an ancient temple of the Sun, and restored or founded a tank (vāpi), apparently the very tank where this record has been found. And the inscription is divided into three parts, the first and second of which give the genealegies of Lähini and Vigraharāja, while the third glorifies the town Vaṭa and the pious work executed there by the widowed queen. The whole is introduced by two verses, in one of which (so far as it is preserved) the author pays homage to Mahêśvara (Śiva), Prāchētasa (the poet Vālmīki), and Vāṇi (the geddess of elequence), while in the other he invokes the protection of the god Hari (Vishim).

Verse 3 relates that through the anger of (the sage) Vasishtha there was produced a youth or prince (kumāra) from whom the Pramāra (or Paramāra) family took its origin.³ In his lineage there was Utpalarāja; from him sprang Āraņyarāja, and from him Adbhutakrishņarāja. His son (or, if a name should have been lost at the commencement of line 4, his son's son) was Mahipāla, and from him sprang Dhandhuka. To Dhandhuka there was born from his wife Amritadēvi Pūrņapāla, who ruled the Arbuda territory (bhū-mamqulam=Arbbudasya).⁴ In his reign, his younger sister Lāhinī was married by king Vigraha (Vigraharāja).

Vigraharāja's genealogy, in verse 12, commences with a twice-born named Yôṭa, who by his bravery acquired the title of king $(bh\hat{u}pa)$. In his lineage there was the king (nripa) Bhavagupts, who, after restoring the temple of 'the Sun dwelling at Vaṭa' (Vaṭa-vaṣi-bhann), reigned at Vaṭa. In his lineage, again, there was Samgamarāja, who ruled Badari in Vaṃsāraṭha. From him sprang Durlabharāja; from him, Chacha; and from him, Vigraharāja, who, as stated

¹ The author's mistakes have been more fully pointed out in the notes on the text. The inscription emphatically teaches us that the mistakes which may be found in an inscription need not necessarily be ascribed to the writer or engraver.

² In line 9, verse 18, the word is used in the plural (Valeshu), and in the inscription of Varmalâta, mentioned above, the place appears to be called Vatákarasthána.

^{*} See e.g. Ep. Ind. Vol. 1 p. 120, verse 13. In the present inscription we have the name Prandra in verse 3, and Paramdra in verse 10. The name is written Prandra also in the unpublished Bharunda inscription of Parapala of the [Vikrama] year 1102, of which I possess impressions.

⁴ In the Bharunda inscription mentioned in the preceding note Purpapala is said to rule the Arbuda-mandala. The inscription actually has frime oudamandalam pratasati).

already, married Lahini. After his death, his widow went to her brother's home, and was settled at the town of Vata which in the course of time had fallen into decay.

The town of Vata (Vata-nagara, Vata-pura) is glorified in verses 20-25. Here it will be sufficient to say that it is stated to have been founded by the sage Vasishtha, that it was-situated on a river named Sarasvati, and that its inhabitants are described as devoted to the worship of the Sun. That the queen Lahini restored there an ancient temple of the Sun and restored or founded a tank, has been already mentioned.

The inscription (according to verses 33 and 34) was composed by the Brahman Matrisarman, the son of Hari, and engraved by Sivapala, the son of the satradhara Dauka, who was the son of Durga (Durgarka, i.e. Durgaditya), the son of the sthapati ('architect, carpenter,' etc.) Naga. It ends (v. 35) with the date: the ninth tithi of the dark half of the mouth Nabha, i.e. Śrāvana, the moon being in (the nakshatra) Mrigaširas, of the year (given in words) 1099 in the time of Vikramaditya, 'in the place' (sthanaka) of Chitrabhanu. By this last expression I understand the author to say that the date fell in the Jovian year Chitrabhanu. This year can be combined with the Vikrama year 1099 only, when the latter is taken to be the expired Chaitraidi Vikrama year 1099, and Chitrabhanu to be the Jovian year so named according to the southern system.2 For that year the date would correspond to the 12th August A.D. 1042, when the 9th tithi of the dark half of the amanta Sravana ended 10 h. 46 m., while the nakshatra was Mrigasirsha by the equal space system and according to Garga for 15 h. 46 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 14 h. 27 m., after mean sunrise. The date is the earliest date of the Vikrama era that quotes a Jovian year, and, with the exception of quite modern dates, the only Vikrama date in which a Jovian year is quoted according to the southern system. It also is the earliest known date in which we find the expression Vikramaditya-kale.

The Pramara or Paramara chiefs mentioned in this inscription ruled the Arbuda-mandala, i.e. a tract of country called after Arbuda, the modern Mount Âbû. They are probably closely connected with the Paramaras of Chandravati, mentioned, e.g., above, Vol. VIII. p. 201. Regarding Vigraharaja and his ancestors I cannot offer any romark.

The places Vata and Badari in Vamsaratha (v. 14) I am unable to identify. Vata must be an old place, being mentioned already in the Vasantgadh inscription of Varmalata of the [Vikrama] year 682, and in a somewhat earlier inscription which was found at the village of Samoli in the Bhomata district of Mévâd, and of which Mr. Ojha has sent me impressions. If not identical with Vasantgadh itself, it must be looked for close to it.

TEXT.3

- 2 v | | v [m=a]sanhvritam matimatâm dâtâ cha satkarmmanâm || pâyâd=vô Vasu-Siddha-Kinnara-nutas=trailôkya-dîpô Hariḥ || [2*] 6Vasishiha-kôpâj=janitah kumârah Pramarat=âvâpa ya.7
 - ¹ The exact meaning of verse 20 is not clear to me, and there is a doubtful passage in verse 23.
 - ³ By the northern system Chitrabhanu lasted from the 11th September A.D. 1039 to the 6th September A.D. 1040.
- From impressions supplied by Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha. Below "Ed." denotes the text in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. Vol. X. p. 671; I quote from it only a few passages, to show what that text is like.
- About 16 or 16 aksharas are broken away at the commencement of the line. Ed. has Pranamya Hari-putr[4]na kavina Matrisarmmand | suh[ri]ddhitataram Vanth; but this, with the exception of the word Vanth, is a pure invention, suggested by verse 33 of the text -- Metre: Sloka (Anushtubh).
 - Metro: Sårddlavikridita. Jybticidam for the sake of the metre for jybtirvidam.
 - Metre of verses 3-8: Upêndravajrâ, Indravajrâ and Upajâti.
- I.e., apparently, 'from whom the Pramara family took its origin.' The word Pramarata seems to have been formed on the analogy of bandhutd. janatd, etc.

- _ ∪ — || ∪ ∪ — ∪ ∪ tô=sya bhûmyâm mahâbalâ vattra nripa babhûvuh | [3*] Asy=ânvayê hy=Utpalaraja-namal Aranyarajô-pi babhûva || tasmåd=babhûv=Ådbhutakrishnaråjô vikhyâta-kîrttih kila vâsu-2
- -- [|| 4º] -- - - h śrimân=yath-ôrvvi[m] dhritavân= varā[ha]b³ || puttro=pi tasmān=Mahipāla-nāmā tasmād=abhûd=Dhamdhuka êva bhûpah | [5*] Asy-âpi kîrttih surarâja-lôkê pragîyatê vai sura-kimnarîbhih || vînanivishta-6karajamgulî-
- ___ _ _ [r=alam]kritabhih || [6*] Yên=ahrita sau(sau)rya-balêna lakshmî[r=*] vikhyâpya nâmam6 parasainya-madhyê || asy=âpi bhâry=Âmritadevi-ttå(nå)mni7 rûpêna sî(sî)lêna kulêna yuktå | [7*] Utpamnamasyâsuvi8 Pûrnnapâlah pûrnnâm=imâin pâlaya-
- 6 - | | - [rô-p]i vijitya sattrûm⁹ sasâsa bhû-mamdalam-Arbbudasya II [8º] 10 Kanakakarnnika-bhûshitagamdayû 11 kakuchadêśa-nivêśitavînayâ || vibudha-râjakulê=mara-kanyayâ sadasi yasya yasah parigîyatê || [9*] Hatvå¹⁸ yêna ranê¹³ ripûn=subahusah
- 7 — — (kê] || vikrâmtâ mada-sâ(sâ)liuô vara-gajâ naddhâh svakê maindirê || Pûrṇṇapâla-14kulapradîpa-nripatau sau(śau)rya-vratê dhârmmik616 || attra śrî-Paramaravamśa-tilakô rajyam sthiram śâsati | [10*] 16Asv=ânniā Lahini-nama-
- . — [ya]thâ tâmarasair=vvihînâ || ûdh-âpi yâ Vigraha-bhûbhujêna¹⁷ 8 půrvvam=Adhôkshajêna || [11*] Asy-ânvayô=pi || || Âsî[d=*] dvijatiravviditô dharanyam khyata-pratapô ripuchakra-marddî | Yôtahis syasau(sau)ryarjjita-bhûpasabdah kshônîsvarah
- [nri]pa-pradhānaḥ || [12*] Tad-anvayê khyâta-matir=nripô-bhût=kula-pradîpô
 Bhavagupta-nāmā || udhritya¹⁹ vêśmam Vaṭa-vāsi-bhānôr=Vvaṭēshu rājyam kritavân=sa vîrah | [13*] Asy=ânvayê Samgamarâja-nâmâ Vamśârathê⁹⁰ Badarim śaśśsa || tasmád=abhûd=Durllabharája-bhûpaś=Chachô-pi²¹ tasmá-
- 10 [d=va]ra-rajaputrah || [14*] Babhûva tasmâd=guṇinām pradhānô nṛip-ôttamô Vigraharaja-nama || pradanasau(sau)ryadi-gunair-udarair-yaso(so) yayau

* Ed. has Tasy atmajo bhavalaya-pratishthah set. Nathaghosht vritavan varanyah.

- 4 Here this name might be read Vaindhuka; but in the Bharunda inscription of Purnapala the name is quite clearly Dhamdhuka. The same name occurs in Nos. 210 and 689 of my Northern List. In a paper on the Chahamanas of Naddula I shall show that Dhandhu also occurs, as another form of the name.
- The reading is clear, but offends against the metre. Perhaps we should read vindnivished-, where (as in the case of the first d of Parnadpala- in 1. 7) the final a would have been wrongly lengthened.

This wrong form (for nama) is clear in the original, and required by the metre. Ed. has bharam.

1 Ed. has bharyyd Ghritadsvi-namnt.

- * This is quite clear in the original; Ed., instead of it, has tasmad=amushydin bhuvi. I consider it quite possible that the author really wrote utpannam=asy=dsuvi in the sense of 'as his son there was born,' incredible as this may seem to be.
 - Read sattran. Ed. has vijitya rashtram nama 'pi bhutam valadarpadeti.

10 Metre: Drutavilambita.

11 Read, perhaps, snakuchao or sukuchao. Ed. bas karapadé manibhushitavinaya.

12 Metre: Śardúlavikri lita.

- 18 The aksharas na rane are engraved below the line.
- 14 For the sake of the metre for Parnapála. Ed. has parnah Pálakula-pradipa waya.

15 Observe the histas.

16 Metre of verses 11-15: indravajra, Upendravajra and Upajati.

17 For the sake of the metre for -bhabhujd.

- 16 Ed. has yo duhevatauryy4rjjitabhayatasyah Kattivarah.
- Read addhritya. The tollowing offmam (for verma) is clear in the original, and required by the metre. 31 Ed. has Vallabhardia-bhapat=Chard=pi.
- 20 Ed. has vandy6 narair=y6

¹ Observe the histus.

² Ed, has VAsudsvah ; but I suspect that the original had vasudhayam (wrongly for vasudhayam).

- vijitya lôkân || [15*] Dvijihvaripuvâhanô lalanakântarâmânvitah || kulôchchayakritonnatir vvidhritacharulakshmi-
- 11 vapuh || svapaurushadhritavanir-balanivishtachakro mahan || babhuva nrivarottamah nararûpadhrin=Mâdhavah | [16*] Prôtphullasitakamala-mukhâin sukumârapamkaja-nibhā ng]îm || Śriyam=iva kulajām rājūî-Lahinim-udha-
- 12 vâm³ sah || [17*] Bhâryâm⁴ sa ch=âvâpya gunaih samôtâm chitt-ôpsitâm-vai⁵ bubhujê cha bhôgam || s=âpi priyam prâpya patin=tu rêmê yadvach=Chbach Îndrêna samam varêmê⁶ || [18*] Asmin-mrite bharttari daiva-yogad-bhraturgriham s-api gatā viyuktā || avasitā vai nagarē Vatē-smin-daivāt-pra-
- 13 hînê kramêna || [19*] || Nagar-ânvayô=pi7 || || bahusah Vârunin-âpi yattra nyagrô[dha-sakt-â]śrama-mâpavasyaº || sthânê=rkka-Bharggau svanato¹⁰ Vasishthô mukti-pradau sthapitavan=varishthah || [20*] Tadvad=Vatâkhyam nagaram vanê-smin¹¹ Tvashtuh-prasâdât-kritavâm¹⁹
- 14 n-Vasishthah || pråkåra-vapr-õpavanais-tadå[g]aih pråsåda-vésmaih¹³ sughanam sutumgaih || [21*] 14Srutimantr-ôdam=akshôbhyain shadamgavartta-samkulam || samyag=yattra tîrtv=âpy=agarvvitâ[h] || [22*] vêd-arnnavan dvijah ddharmma-paraih svakarmma-nirataih sadbhih sad-avasitam ||
- 15 vrityartham¹⁶ [cha sa?]mâgataiḥ pratidiśam nityam vanigbhir=vritam || [pau]ralaih panikajanair=vvyasanikaih sû(śû)rair=jjanaih samkulam || Imdra-sthânam= iv aparam Vata-puram kshoni-talo samsthitam | [23*] 18Svar-udgata yattra sarit-Sarasvatî svapâna-pamkt-îval9 nripâm
- 16 ninajjatâm || supuṇyapushpôdakaphêna-vâhinî dvij-âsramâṇâm jananevadhishṭhitⲺ || -[24*] Yé²¹ sarvvam pálayamtô nagarahita-ratáh²² nîtimamtah dêvân-yiprân-yajaintê kanakadhanamahîvastraratnâdi-dânaih || khyâtir-yêshâm nityain tri(tri)bhuvana-
- 17 valayê sad-gunair-êva nîtâ || tê=smin=paurâh samastâh sakalajana-hità bhaktimaintah | [25*] 23S=âttr=âgatâ Lâhiṇi-nâma-râjñî bharttur-vviyôgâdhinipiditamgî || asmin=purê vipra-janaih samêtya triptâ [tu] têshâm [va]chanêt= prabuddha || [26*] Bha-
- 18 nôr=griham daiva-vasad-vibhagnam Vasish(ha-pauraih sukritam vad-åsit II vainási²¹ sarvvam saha jívitôna jñátvá gribam káritam=ásu Bhanôh || [27*]

¹ Metre : Prithvi.

² This apparently is intended for an Âryâ verse, but it is quite incorrect. Ed. omits the whole of it,

⁸ Rend vain=sah.

⁴ Metre of verses 18-21 : Indravajra.

⁸ Read -épsitám vai, or, perhaps, -épsitam vai.

Roud varêna. 1 Instead of these words and of the first half of the following verse Ed. has Vasishtharájó=pi alr=deld=at6= yam Vasishtharájánvayó'pi (játamatrapá Váruninápi) atra nyagródhasy=ásramah.

⁸ Wrong for tapo.

In a Intended reading may be Madhavasya, but I am not sure about the meaning of the verse. Some legend, which is unknown to me, seems to be referred to.

¹⁰ Read sva-natau, or, perhaps, sva-matau.

[&]quot; Read =smims=Tvao. 12 Read = kritaván= Vaº.

Wrong for .vefmabhit, which would not have suited the metre.

¹⁴ Metre : Slôka (Anushtubh).

¹⁸ Metre : Sårdûlavikridita.

¹⁸ Read crittyartham. - The sa in the following brackets seems to be engraved below the line. 17 There is hardly any doubt here about the actual reading, but the text must be incorrect. I cannot suggest a satisfactory emendation; Ed. has pauranair ganikajancir ..

¹⁸ Metre: Vumsastha.

Wrong for sopana-panktirnina, which would not have suited the metre.

²⁰ Read janan=tva nishthitd. 11 Metre: Sraudhara.

³³ Read -rald. Metro of verses 26-30: Indravajrå.

²⁴ Wrong for vindsi (or vaindsikam), which would not suit the metre.

¹Suélishta-samdhim ruchira[m] supådam sail-èshtakam cha sthira-simghakarunam² || yadvad-Dhimâdris-sikharais-cha tadvat-kritvå

Vata-vasi-bhanôh | [28*] Lôka-prap=aishâ sukrita cha vâpî 19 nikêtam suslishtasamdhî-ghatitôtpalå3 sopana-pamktya cha || sušubhê(bhâ) subaddhâ nisrê(śrê)ni-bhût=êva divaukasasya | [29*] Dêvaih samastair=ri(ri)shibhis-cha jushta papapaha vyapya jagat-sthita ya || jîrpuô-

• 20 dhritâ* Lahiṇi-puṇyahêtôḥ Sârasvatî śôsha-janasya vâpî || [30*] Nishpâdyab sukritau kritvâ⁶ artham datvâ⁷ punaḥ-punaḥ || vainâsikam=idam ch-ânya[j*=] jñâtvâ lôkasya charppitau⁸ || [31*] ⁹Yâvad=gaur=llôka-dh[â*]trî pravahạti

[pa ?]rutô10 yavad-arkô=ntarikshê || yavad=vîchyas=sa-

21 mudrê pavana-vidhunitâḥ¹¹ saintatâḥ prôchchhalanti || yâvad=vyômê¹² susîghrain pracha[la ?]ti mihira-syainda(da)nasy=aika-chakrain || vâpy-ôkau tâvad-nâstâm=¹³ udukara-sadriâau śrêyasô kârakasya || 132°] || ¹⁴Krit=êyain Hari-puttrêṇa Mâtriśarmma-dvijanmanâ || śastir=llôka-hitâ-

22 rthâya Lâhinyaś-cha¹b hit-aishinâ || [33*] ¹6Âsîch-cha Nâgât-sthapatês tu
Durggah || Durggârkkatê Dêuka-sûttradhârah || asy=âpi sûnuh Śivapâla-nâmâ ||
yên-ôtkrit-êyam¹¹ sušubhâ prašastih || [34*] ¹8Navanavatir-ih-àsìdVikramâditya-kâlê || jagati

23 daśaśatânâm-agratô yattra pûrnnā [l*] prabhavati Nabha-māsē sthânakê Chittrabhânôḥ || Mṛigaśirasi śaśâinkê kṛishņa-pakshê navamyām || [35 ||*]

No. 3. - ALUPA INSCRIPTIONS AT UDIYAVARA.

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The ancient royal family of the Âlupas is one of those whose early history is wrapped in obscurity—'carent quia vate sacro' as Horace (Carm. IV. 9) expresses it. All that was until recently known regarding them will be found on page 309 of Dr. Fleet's Dynastics of the Kanarese Districts. A few additional records of them were published by Mr. Rice in his Epigraphia Carnatica. The Âlupas or Âluvas are referred to in inscriptions of the two Western Chalukya kings Pulakésin II. 9 and Vinayâditya, of the Râshtrakûta king Gôvinda III., 20 and of the Kâdamba Jayakêsin I., and the poet Bilhana mentions them in connection with his patron Vikramâditya VI. They are thus proved to have existed as a ruling family in the period from the seventh to the eleventh conturies of the Christian era.

As regards the name Âļupa, Dr. Bhandarkar suggested that it 'seems to be preserved in the name of the modern town of Alupai on the Malabar coast.' This is very improbable, because Âluvây (Alwye) is situated in Travancore, while the inscriptions of the Âlupas are

¹ Ed. omits this verse.

² Read -simhakarnnam .- This word simhakarna apparently is a technical term, relating to architecture.

Read -ghatitopald; the preceding saindhi for the sake of the metre stands for saindhi.

¹⁰ Read purato(?). In For the sake of the metre for ridhanitah.

¹² Wrong for vyómni, which would not have suited the metre.

u This detam is wrongly us d here for dedtam (from de) or sydtam (from as).

¹⁴ Metre: Sloka (Anushtubh) 15 The name of the queen is written here with (the dental) s.

¹⁶ Metre: Indra vajra. 17 Utkrita wrong for utkirna.

¹⁶ Metre: Malini .- Ed. omits the last Pada of the verse and has instead of it sa 1699.

¹⁰ See now above, Vcl. Vl. p. 10. ²⁰ See below, p. 16 and note 7.

²¹ History of the Dekkun, p. 51, note 3.

found in South Canara, Kadur and Shimoga. The original meaning of the word Alupa or Aluva is probably 'a ruler,' from the Dravidian root al, 'to rule.'

A few individual names of kings are preserved to us. The Sorab plates of Vinayaditya were issued at the request of Gunasagar-Alupendra's son Chitravaha-Maharaja, who was in possession of the district (vishaya) of Edevolal in the N.E. of Banavasi in North Canara. According to the Harihar plates of Vinayaditya, which are dated two years after the Sorab plates, another village in the district (bhôga) of Edevolal, forming part of the Vanavasi-mandala, was granted at the request of Aluvaraja, i.e. perhaps Chitravaha-Maharaja. The same two princes (Gunasagara and Chitravaha) may be meant in an inscription at Kigga in the Koppa tâluka of the Kadûr district,3 which states that, when Aluarasa, whose second name was Gunasagara, was ruling the Kadamba-mandala,— Aluarasa, (his) great queen and (his son) Chitravahana made a grant to a local temple.4 Another inscription (Kp. 37), which is on the other face of the same stone, is dated while some Chitravahana was ruling Ponbuchchu, the modern Humcha.6 Finally, an inscription at Mavali in the Sorab taluka of the Shimoga district states that in the time of Prabhûtavarsha Gôindarasa, i.e. the Râshtrakûta king Govinda III., a certain Chitravabana ruled the Aluvakheda six-thousand, while Rajadityarasa ruled the Banavasi-mandala.7

If the Chitravâhana of the first Kigga inscription was really the same person as the Chitravâha of the Sorab plates, it would follow that the Alupa or Alua prince Gunasagara was governor of the Kadamba-mandala, i.e. the Banavasi province, in or immediately before the time of the Western Chalukya king Vinayaditya, and that Gunasagara's son Aluvaraja Chitravaha or Chitravahana (I). granted two villages in the district of Edevolal, which formed part of the Banavâsi province, during Vinayâditya's reign. Consequently Chitravâhana I. seems to have succeeded his father Gunasagara in the government of Banavasi. In the time of Govinda III., however, the Banavasi-mandala had been taken from the Alupas and was entrusted to Rajaditya. while the Aluvakhoda six-thousand was administered by a second Chitravahana, who on the strength of his name may be assumed to have belonged to the Alupa family. To judge from the Mavali inscription, he proved troublesome and had to be coerced by the force of arms. That Chitravahana, whom the second Kigga inscription mentions as residing at Humcha, may or not be identical with this Chitravahana II., but must be distinct from Chitravahana I., whose capital was most probably Banavasi. If this identification is correct, Ponbuchehn, the modern Humcha, would have been the head-quarters of the Aluvakheda six-thousand, which in a later record is mentioned as Alvakhêda among the boundaries of the Poysala kingdom."

Mr. Rice's volumes contain many records of certain later families which seem to be connected with the ancient Âlupas. These are the Changalvas, 9 Kongalvas, 10 Nadaluvas, 11 Sântaras,19 and the rulers of Kalasa and Kârkala.18

In the course of a tour in 1901, Mr. H. Krishna. Sastri, B.A., discovered a number of archaic Kanarese pillar inscriptions of the Alupas at Udiyavara near Udipi in the South Canara

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 147. A facsimile of the Sorab plates has since appeared in Ep. Carn. Vol. VIII. p. 92 of the Translations.

² Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 302, and Ep. Carn. Vol. XI, Dg. 66. ⁸ Ep. Carn. Vol. VI. Kp. 38.

A further remark on the same inscription will be found below, p. 21, note 3.

The Kanarese text has pinduvvdie for Ponbuchch=die in the Roman text.

See p. 17 below.

² Ep. Carn. Vol. VIII. Sb. 10, with Plate facing p. 3 of the Roman texts.

^{*} Ep. Carn. Vol. VI. Cm. 160, line 5.

Id. Vol. IV. Introduction, p. 16; Vol. V. p. viii; Vol. IX. p. 19.

Id. Vol. V. p. vii; Vol. IX. p. 18. 11 Id. Vol. V. p. vii. Vol. VI. p. 10; Vol. VII. p. 17; Vol. VIII. p. 6. Compare Dyn. Kan. Distr. p. 458 and note 2.

vrn. Vol. VI. p. 19. Compare above, Vol. VII. p. 109 ff. and Vol. VIII. p. 124 ff.

I. Scale one-sixth.

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II. - Scale one-fifth.



district. Of these records I now edit the eight most complete and important ones. Regarding some difficult points in them I have consulted my old friends Venkayya and Krishna Sastri, whose remarks proved of much assistance in unravelling the meaning of these enigmatical ancient documents.

The first five Udiyâvara inscriptions are on Vîrakals, i.e. stones set up as memorials of deceased heroes; the remaining three refer to grants of tolls. The three first inscriptions must all belong to the same period; for Nos. I. and II. mention a certain Raṇasâgara, and Nos. II. and III. one Śvētavāhana. These two names and, in addition to them, Chitravāhana in No. I. look like those of Aluva princes, among whom we have already found a Guṇasâgara and two Chitravāhanas. As the alphabet resembles that of the Māvaļi inscription, we may identify the Chitravāhana of No. I. with Chitravāhana II., who ruled the Âluvakhēda six-thousand in the time of Gôvinda III. Consequently Nos. I.-III. must be assigned to about A.D. 800. From the first few lines of No. I. we learn that Chitravāhana II. seized Udiyāvara in the course of a war with Raṇasâgara, who seems to have been a rival claimant to the throne. Nos. II. and III. refer to the storming of Udiyāvara by Śvētavāhana, and No. II. records the death, on this occasion, of a follower of Raṇasâgara. From this it may perhaps be concluded that, after the time of the inscription No. I., Raṇasâgara succeeded in ousting Chitravāhana II., but that, later on, he was in his turn defeated by Śvētavāhana, who may have been a near relative of Chitravāhana II.

The remaining Udiyâvara inscriptions date from the reigns of the two Âlupa, Âluva or Âlva kings Prithivisâgara (Nos. IV.-VI.) and Vijayâditya (Nos. VII. and VIII.) alias Mâramma (No. VII.). It is impossible to say at present how these two princes were connected with Chitravâhana II., Raṇasâgara and Śvôtavâhana. But, as the alphabet of their inscriptions agrees with that of Nos. I.-III., they must be assigned to about the same period.

In each of the eight subjoined inscriptions Udiyâvara is referred to by one of its older names Udayâpura (Nos. V. and VIII), Udayapura (Nos. II., III., VI., VII.) or Udeyapura (Nos. I. and IV.). In the three last it is mentioned together with Pați (No. VI.), Pombulcha (No. VII.) or Ponvulcha (No. VIII.). Pațți and Pombuchcha are known to have been ancient names of the modern Humcha in the Nagar tâluka of the Shimoga district. This Humcha seems to have been the capital of the Âlupa kings. For an inscription at Kigga is dated while Chitravâhana (II.) was ruling Ponbuchchu.

I.-Inscription of Chitravahana (II.) and Ranasagara.

This inscription (No. 94 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1901) is engraved on an octagonal pillar in front of the Sambhukallu temple at Udiyavara. It records that a follower of Chitravahana (II.) met with his death when the 'lord of the earth' (vis. Chitravahana) occupied and entered Udeyapura (Udiyavara) 'during the trouble of Ramasagara,' i.e. in the course of a war with the latter.

TEXT.

- 1 Svasti śri [||*] Raņa-
- 2 sagarana sam(sam)ka-
- 3 tadul=Udeyapuram
- 4 dhareg[i]san=pade-po-
- 5 guvalli Vijaņa-
- o naygara magan-Ka-

¹ See above, p. 16 and note 7.

² See above, Vol. VIII. p. 126,

See p. 16 above.

- 7 ltide kadan-aggha-
- 8 li kålega-késa-
- 9 ri kariripu-vikraman
- 10 aniyu[]*] dava-
- 11 nam=odduvon=sa-
- 12 basad-ari-chakra-
- 13 [vyû*]haman=odedon
- 14 [a*]havad=ode[da]n=pa-
- 15 ra-[ba]lad=ani Chi-
- 16 traváhanarggági ka-
- 17 li-kânti eri-
- 18 da svarggålayakk=ê-
- 19 gidon [||*]

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity! When during the trouble of Ranasagara! the lord of the earth² occupied and entered Udeyapura,— Vijananayga's³ son Kâltide, (who was) eminent in war, a lion in battle, brave as a lion, applying a cattle-rope⁴ to the array (of his enemies), breaking the body of bold hostile armies, breaking in battle the array of the enemy's forces, ascended to the abode of heaven, having fought⁵ (with) the splendour of a hero on account of Chitravahana.

II.—Inscription of Ranasagara and Svetavahana.

This inscription (No. 108 of 1901) is engraved on an octagonal pillar lying near a well in the back-yard of Råghavendrabhatta's house at Udiyâvara and commemorates the death in battle of a follower of Ranasågara. He fell while Udayapura (Udiyâvara) was entered by Svêtavâhana, whom I take to have been the victorious opponent of Ranasågara. The dead warrior is described as a zealous devotee of the 'lord of Paţţi,' and he and his two immediate ancestors as adherents of the 'Pâsupata lord.' Paţţi (or Pombuchcha) is the modern Humcha. It may be concluded from the present inscription that this town was the seat of the head of a Saiva matha.

TEXT.

- 1 Svasti śri [||*] Raņa[sâ]-
- 2 garanê âlu Vinjan
- 3 Pra[hå]rabhûsha-
- 4 nana magan Ka-
- 5 makôdan tammuttu-
- 6 mûvara Pâsupa(pa)tam
- 7 namvrán g=70va[do]rå

³ Náyga is a tadbhava of náyaka.

¹ I.e. 'the trouble caused by Ranasagara.'

² Viz. probably the Chitravabana mentioned in l. 15 f.

⁴ With davanam-odds compare davani katts, 'to tie cattle in a row to a long rope fastened by two pegs,' in Kittel's Kannada Dictionary. Compare above, Vol. VIII. p. 134, and Ep. Carn. Vol. VI. Introduction, p. 19, note 1. Davani is a tadbhava of damant, 'a long rope to which calves are tied by means of shorter ropes' (Monier-Williams).

b Here and in the four next inscriptions egi is the sau e as igi, to strike, to stab.

See p. 17 above.

[†] As suggested to me by Bai Bahadur Venkayys, no meran is meant for the Tamil namherda, 'lord' (literally: 'our lord'); read nambirday w.



IV. - Scale one-fourth.



- 8 nålageyan ki(ki)-
- 9 lpon Patti-
- 10 odeyong=188(va)-
 - 1 doran=patt-ali-pa-
- 12 vyon Svetavaha-
- 13 nan Udayapu-
- 14 ramân poguva-
 - 5 lli eridu sva'sva)-
- 16 rgga(rggå)layakk=êçi-
- 17 [don] [||*]

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity! When Svétavâhana was entering Udayapura,—Raṇasugara's servant, Viñja Prahârabhûshaṇa's son Kâmakôḍa, who pulled out the tongue of those who were not attached to the Pâsupata lord of those three persons themselves, (and) who seized, destroyed and assaulted those who were not attached to the lord of Paţţi, ascended to the abode of heaven, having struck down (his onemies).

III.- Inscription of Śvētavāhana.

This inscription (No. 105 of 1901) is engraved on an octagonal pillar in front of the same house as the proceding inscription and commemorates the death of another hero on the same occasion.

TEXT.

- 1 Svasti śri [||*] Pândyavi-
- 2 llarasarâ maga-
- 3 n=Dôvu sâdu(dhu)-priyau=a-
- 4 sådu(dhu) jana-varjitau=Švé-
- 5 tavahanar-Udaya-
- 6 puramán=poguvalli
- eridu svarggálaya-
- 8 kk=8ridon [| | * |

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity! When Svetavabana was entering Udayapura,— Pandyavillarasa's son Davu, (who was) beloved by the good (and) shunned by wicked people, ascended to the abode of heaven, having struck down (his enemies).

IV .- Inscription of Prithivisagara.

This inscription (No. 103 of 1901) is engraved on an octagonal pillar in the south-west corner of the court-yard of the Sambhukallu temple at Udiyavara. It forms the memorial of a warrior who was killed when Prithivisagara stormed Udeyapura (Udiyavara) after his coronation.

TEXT.

- 1 Svnéti šri [||*] Pri-
 - 2 hivitagara-

1 Read odenosan

I.e. the Pasupata priest whose adherents Kamakôda, his father Praharabhushana (and his grandfuther) Vinja were. I owe this explanation to Dr. Fleet. With tammette-mavar compare tammet-ayear and tammet-ayear in Kittel's Kannada Grammar, p. 241. Dr. Fleet has noted the similar expression tammett-irbbar or tammett-irbbar, above, Vol. VI. p. 161, note 7.

- n-pattam gatti-
- 4 si Ud[e]ya-
- 5 puramân=po-
- 6 gutappalli Na-
- ndavilmudiya-
- 8 râ magan=Pali-
- 9 page egidu
- 10 svarggålaya-
- 11 kk=êridon [||*]

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity! When Prithivisagara, having had (himself) crowned, was entering Udeyapura,- Nandavilmudi's son Palipare, having struck down (his enemies), ascended to the abode of heaven.

V.—Inscription of Prithivisagara.

This inscription (No. 101 of 1901) is engraved on an ootagonal pillar in the court-yard of the same temple and records that another follower of the Alupa king Prithivisagara fell at the sterming of Udayapura (Udiyavara).

TEXT.

- Svasti śrî [||*] Prithu(thi)visagara
- 2 śrimad-Alupendra dushta-bhaya-
- 3 nkarargge ishta-bhrityan-appa Po-
- 4 lokku Priyachelva [U]da[ya]-
- 5 puraman pugutappa-
- 6 lli aha[pa](va)-ra[nga]du]=uru-
- bhatara [e]ridu Priyache-
- lva chelva-šanpannal ka(kha)la-
- [ja*]na-varjjitan dharegi(gf)-
- 10 [sa*]nge ôvadora pata-
- 11 [t]iya alidu suralô-
- 12 kakke êridan [1*] Keleya
- 13 Vâl[e]reyan nigisida [||*]

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity! When Polokku Priyachelva, who was the beloved servant of Prithivisagara, the glorious Alupendra, the terror of the wicked, was entering Udayapura,-(this) Priyachelva, (who was) endowed with beauty (and) shunned by wicked people, ascended to the world of the gods, having struck down great warriors on the stage of battle (and) having destroyed the foot-soldiers of those who were not attached to the lord of the earth. (His) friend Valercya set up (this memorial stone).4

VI .- Inscription of Prithivisagara.

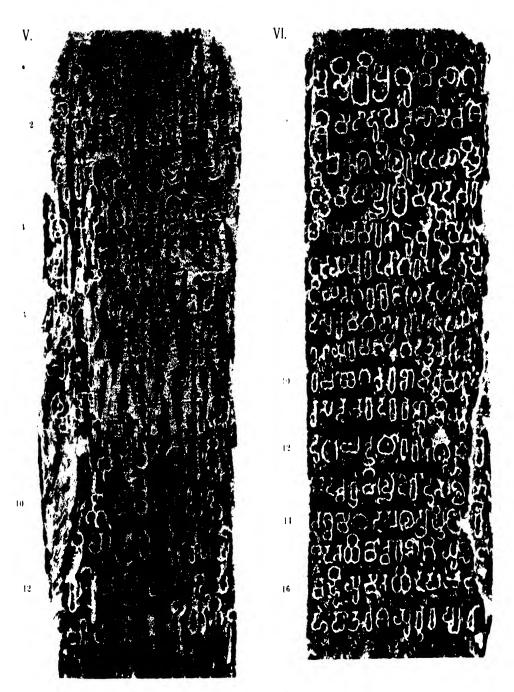
This inscription (No. 102 of 1901) is engraved on another octagonal pillar in the courtyard of the same temple. It opens with the name and birudas of the Alupa or Aluva king

¹ Read -sampanna.

a As Mr. Krishna Sastri suggests, patati is perhaps a tadbhava, used collectively, of paddti.

^{*} Viz. the Alupa king Prithivisagara.

^{*} Rai Bahadur Venkayya would prefer to take ere as synonymous with the Tamil ign and to translate: "Keleya set up (this stone representing) a chief (with) a sword (in his 12)."



Scale one-fourth.

Prithivisagara, who claimed descent from the lunar race and bore the surnames Udayaditya and Uttama-Pandya, and records that he confirmed a previous grant of tolls to the two cities (nagara) of Udayapura (Udiyavara) and Pati. The last is evidently the same as Pati, the modern Humcha.¹ The imprecatory passage at the end of this inscription and of the two next ones (VII. and VIII.) mentions two sacred places: Varanasi and Sivavalli. The former is of course the modern Benares. Regarding the second, Mr. Krishna Sastri contributes the following information:—

"The Shivalli (Sivalli) sect of Brahmanas in South Canara take their name from this place. In the Madras Manual of Administration, Vol. III. p. 610, we are told that the town Oodipy (Udipi), 'considered the most sacred spot in the Canarese country,' is 'formed of parts of Badagabett, Moodanidamboro, Poollore and Shivully villages.' In the Madras Postal Directory Shivalli figures as a village served by the Udipi post office."

TEXT.

- 1 Svasti érî [||*] Pridhu(thi)visâgara
- 2 śrimad-Alupendra Somavamso-
- 3 dbhava kulatilakan Udayaditya
- 4 Uttama-Pandya śrimad-Aluvara[sa]-
- 5 r-B[ô]ygavarmara natu-mudimeyu[1]
- 6 Udayapurada na(na)gara-sahitam Pa-
- 7 tiya nagarakke jaladulam sthala[du].
- 8 jain suinkam=ardha-dâna kâdar [1*] Udaya[pu]-
- 9 ranâygara magan=[S]iingadattanu[iii] Ku[mâ]-
- 10 ra Egeganum Raņavikrama[nâtha]-
- 11 nu Sandavaradara Kannachiyu[m] [1*] [1]-
- 12 du a(A)chandratha(ta)rakam nilpu[d=a]ke(kke) [1*]
- 13 Idan=vakram-illåde kådu sali[po]-
- 14 n=2aśvamêdhada pa(pha)la-prâpti aku(kkum) [1*]
- 15 Idan-alivon-Varana(na) siyum Si(si) va-
- 16 valliyuman-alida pamcha[ma]-
- 17 ba(hâ)pâtaka-śam(sam)yuktar=apjar [||*]

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity! During Bôygavarma's headmanship of the district,³ Prithivisagara, the glorious Âļupêndra, who sprang from the race of the Moon, the ornament of (his) family, Udayâditya Uttama-Pâṇḍya, the glorious Âļuvarasa, confirmed the gift of one half (of) the tolls both on water and on land to the city of Psti, together with the city of Udayapura. (The recipients of this gift were)⁴ Udayapuranâyga's⁵ son Singadatta, Kumâra Erega, Raṇavikrama[nâtha], and Sandavarada's (son) Kaṇṇachi. Let this stand as long as the moon and the stars! (To) him who without fraud confirms and grants this, shall be the acquisition of the fruit of a horse-sacrifice. He who destroys this, shall be covered with the five great sins (of one) who destroys Vāraṇāśi and Šivavaļļi.

¹ See p. 17 above.

² See Kittel's Kannada Gramma, § 183, 8.

^{*} As suggested to me by Rai bahadur Venknyya, ndfs-mudime is the equivalent of the Tamil ndffu mudumar, 'the headmanship of a district.' Compare Ep. Carn. Vol. VI. Kp. 38, where Kundavarmarasam mudime gaye (this is the reading of the Text in Kannada characters, p. 323) has to be translated by 'while Kundavarmarasa was headman.'

^{*} The words idd padedor may be supplied from VII. 1. 10, and VIII. 1 10 f.

See above, p. 18, note 3.

VII.-Inscription of Vijayaditya Maramma.

This inscription (No. 98 of 1901) is engraved on two contiguous faces of another octagonal pillar in the court-yard of the same temple. Like the preceding inscription, it confirms a previous grant of tells to the two cities of Udayapura (Udiyavara) and Pombulcha (Humcha). The Alupa or Alva king who confirmed this grant was called Vijayaditya Maramma. Like the Prithivisagara of the preceding inscription, he bore the surname Uttama-Paṇḍya and traced his descent from the lunar race. Besides, he claimed the sovereign titles Paraméśvara and Adhirājarāja.

TEXT.

- l Oml svasti srî [||*] Vija[y]āditya Aļu-
- 2 péndra paramésya(sva)ra ádhîr[A].º
- 3 jarajan Uttama-Pandyan-Śô(sô)mavamsô-
- 4 dbhava śri-Maramm-Alvarasar [U]3
- 5 Udayapurada naka(ga)ra-sahitam Pombu-
- i lehada naka(ga)rakke sunka kadudu sanku-
- 7 rakke [pu]ttige ondare malavege pa-
- 8 lti padinagu palam adakeya pê-
- 9 ringa(ngo) mûn[û]ru velasina pêringe
- 10 padina(nâ)ru pala[m] [1*] Idâ padedor Su-
- 11 sênavadiyara Svarnnagêsasi Mutta-
- 12 varara Adiyapasettiyu Mandukara
- 13 Parasébyan Sénavadiyara Nagakumáran [1*]
- 14 Idu a(û)chandratáraka[m] nilpud=akko [l*] Ida kâdo
 15 attaguņa asva(śva)mêda(dha)da pa(pha)lam=akko [l*]
- 16 Idan-alido B[a]ranasiyu Sivavalliyu-
- 17 ma alida panchamaha(hâ)pâtakan=ak[n](kkum) [1*]
- 18 Raņadhāri-likhita ||4

TRANSLATION.

Om. Hail! Prosperity! Vijayaditya Alupendra Paramesvara Adhirojaroja Uttama-Pandya, who sprang from the race of the Moon, the glorious Maramm-Alvarasa, confirmed the tolls (due) to the city of Pombulcha together with the city of Udayapura, (viz.) per double bag (of grain), one and a half basket (of grain); per malave? (of cotton), sixteen pala (of cotton; per load of areca-nuts, three hundrod (nuts); (and) per load of pepper, sixteen pala (of pepper). They who obtained this (were) Susanavadi's (son) Svarnagosasi, Muttavara's (son) Adiyapasetti, Manduka's (son) Paraschya, (and) Senavadi's (son) Nagakumara. Let this stand as long as the moon and the stars! (To) him who confirms this, let there be the eightfold fruit of a horse-sacrifice! (To) him who destroys this, shall be the five great sins (of one) who destroys Baranasi and Sivavalli. Written by Rapadhari.

¹ Expressed by a symbol.

Read adhird.

³ Corrected from a. The engraver has for the sake of clearness repeated the s at the beginning of the next inc.

⁴ In the original the final stop is represented by a four-petalled flower.

Sankura is perhaps the same as samkara No. 4 in Kittel's Kannada Dictionary: 'a double sack for manure and grain to be carried on the back of a bullock.'

^{*} Puttige is the same as putti, 'a basket.'

⁷ Mr. Krishna Sastri suggests that this may be another form of mana or manass, 'a maund.'

Originally I had taken vetoes for belazs, 'corn.' But as the toll was not levied by measure, but by weight, I adopt Mr. Krishna Sastri's suggestion, who compares melass, 'black pepper.'

With gdsass compare gdsassga in the inscription VIII. 1. 11, and Dr. Fleet's remarks, above, Vol. VI. p. 255, note 2.

VIII.





Scale one-fourth.







VIII.—Inscription of Vijayaditya.

This inscription (No. 97 of 1901) is found on the same pillar as the preceding one (VII.). It is engraved on the same two contiguous faces as VII., but begins at the opposite end of the pillar, which must have been placed upside down when the new inscription (VIII.) was incised on it. A third face of the pillar bears six lines of writing (15-20) which appear to be connected with VIII. This circumstance enables us to conclude that VIII. was engraved at a later date than VII. When the writer of VIII. had reached line 14, he was confronted with the end of the inscription VII., and was therefore obliged to finish his copy on another face of the pillar.

The contents of VIII. resemble those of VII. The king is the same; only one of his names, Mâramma, is omitted here. He is stated to have confirmed the same grant of tolls to the two cities of Udayâpura (Udiyâvara) and Ponvuleha (Humcha). But the names of the local representatives receiving the grant differ from those in VII. This shows that some time must have clapsed between the incision of both records, although both belong to the same reign.

TEXT.

First and Second Faces.

- 1 Svasti śrî [||*] Vijayâdhi(di)tyan
- 2 Ålupêndra paramêsva(śva)ra â(a)-
- 3 dhî(dhi)rûjarûjan Uttama-
- 4 Pandyan-Sômavansôbhavan
- 5 Åluvarasar Arakellarå
- 6 natu-mudi(di)moyul Udaya-
- 7 purada naka(ga)ra-sahitam Ponvulcha-
- 8 da naka(ga)rakke sunkada ardda(rddha)-[da]na
- 9 ká[daha] avargge attaguņa
- 10 asva(śva)mêda(dha)da pa(pha)lam=akkum [|*] 1da
- 11 [pa*]dedor Muttavurera² Saruvigôsâsiga
- 12 Kodalsettiyara Madamman Vija[s]e-
- 13 tigara Dharmmanaygan=Manugasa-
- 14 ttavar Sarvvavandu Puleyarmman [|*]

Third Face.

- 15 I okkal=paded[u]-
- 16 vu [[*] Ida alivo
- 17 Sivavalliyu8 Va-
- 18 rânâsiyuman
- 19 alida panchama-
- 20 hâpâtakan=akkum4 [||*]

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity! The eightfold fruit of a horse-sacrifice shall be to him—Vijayaditya Alupendra Paramésvara Adhirajaraja Uttama-Pandya, who sprang from the race of the Moon, Aluvarasa—who, during Arakella's headmanship of the district, confirmed the gift of

¹ Read =Sómavamiódbhavan.

² Read Muttavarera, as in VII. 1. 11 f.

Read Sivavalliyum.

The w of kkum is expressed by two different symbols behind and below the kk.

⁵ See avove, p. 21, note 5

one half of the tolls to the city of Ponvulcha together with the city of Udayapura. They who obtained this (were) Muttavara's (son) Saruvigosasiga, Kodalsetti's (son) Madamma, Vijasetti's (son) Dharmanayga, Manugasattava, Sarvavandu (and) Puleyarma. These ryots obtained (it). (To) him who destroys this, shall be the five great sins (of one) who destroys Sivavalli and Varanasi.

No. 4.— TWO GRANTS OF INDRARAJA III.; SAKA-SAMVAT 836.

By D. R. BHANDARRAR, M.A.

These two epigraphic documents were first brought to the notice of the students of Indian antiquities by the late H. H. Dhruva, who published a transcript of them with his remarks in the Zeitschr. D. Morg. Ges. Vol. XL. p. 322 ff. They were afterwards edited with lithographs by Dr. R. G. Bhandarkar, with a translation by Mr. (now Prof.) S. R. Bhandarkar, in the Journ. Bo. Br. R. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 253 ff. About three years ago, when Prof. Hultzsch first thought of having the inscriptions re-edited in this Journal, no trace whatever of them could be found, and it was on a chance visit to the State Museum at Baroda in 1903 that I saw the plates exhibited there. On my informing Prof. Hultzsch of their whereabouts, he asked Rai Bahadur Venkayya to obtain them on loan through the Resident at Baroda from the Curator of the Baroda State Museum, and I re-edit the inscriptions at the suggestion of Prof. Hultzsch, and from the excellent ink-impressions supplied by Rai Bahadur Venkayya.

[Along with the two sets of plates, two seals were received from the Resident at Baroda in December 1903. As the scals had been detached from the plates, it was not possible to ascertain which scal belonged to which set. But before returning the plates and seals on the 7th December 1904, I put down some notes about them, of which the following is a copy.

[The plates measure on an average 13" by 93". The rings bearing both the seals had been cut before they were received in my office. The larger of the two seals measures about 3" by $2\frac{\pi}{k}$. The ring whose ends are secured at the bottom of the seal is $3\frac{\pi}{k}$ " in diameter and 1" thick. The seal bears, in relief on a countersunk surface, as the principal figure, an image of Garuda - whose wings are distinctly seen - squatting on a seat which is probably meant to consist of two serponts. These appear to entwine his waist and to terminate in his hands, each of which is holding a head. What looks like his sacred thread is perhaps a third serpent. The Garuda faces to the full front and has on his proper right a representation of Ganapati in the upper corner, lewer down a chauri, and below it a lamp. On the proper left in the upper corner is a goddess riding on a lion, and below the lion a svastika surmounted by a chauri. On each side of the head of Garuda is a circle which may be meant for the sun and moon. Below the squatting Garuda is an inscription which is not quite distinct, but which seems to be শ্লীন্সিল্ম্বর্গইবন্ম. Along the margin of the seal is a border of various indistinct emblems, among which a linga and an elephant-goad are recognisable. The emblems on the smaller seal, which measures about 11" by 11", are also cut in relief on a countersunk surface, but are not quite distinct. The central figure is Garuda, squatting, as in the bigger seal, apparently on a couch consisting of two serpents, which seem to entwine his waist and to terminate in his hands. Each of the hands of Garuda appears to hold a hood. What looks like his sacred thread may be a third serpent. To his proper right at the upper corner is a projection which may stand for Ganapati, and below it is a lamp stand. To the proper left at the upper corner is another

projection, which is perhaps intended to represent a goddess. Below the goddess is a lamp stand above a swastika. The ring whose ends are secured at the bottom of the smaller scal measures 3" in diameter and \frac{1}{2}" in thickness. Two sets of impressions of each of the two inscriptions were sent to Mr. D. R. Bhandarkar in August 1903.—V.V.]

As regards the find-spot of the plates, H. H. Dhruva, who first edited them, says:—"On the 6th of July 1881, as a Dubla servant of Mulji Khushal, Patel of Bagumra, was furrowing the earth with the plough in his field, the ploughshare drew out of it these plates." This clearly shows that the plates were found at Bagumra, and consequently we must, as was first pointed out by Prof. Kielhorn, speak of them as Bagumra, and not as Nausara, charters of A.D. 915.

Each of the two sets consists of three copper-plates, which are, to judge from the impressions, about 13" long and 9" broad. The inscription is engraved on the inner sides of the first and third plates, and on both sides of the second plate. The engraving is clear and well executed. The characters belong to the northern class of alphabets. For some of the forms of individual letters attention may be drawn to g in gatasya and svarggam, l. 13; to ñ in lânchhana, 1. 8, and rdjňah, l. 13; to m in "m=anyat=pu", l. 17, "m=anandi, l. 37, and grámakúta, l. 46; to bh in bhūpah, 1, 28; and to s in samtarppand, 1, 57, so far as the first record is concerned; and to k in kdnt-endu-, l. 1; to kh in samkha, l. 29; to j in saras-ambhója, l. 5, and jagati, l. 7; and to bh in kaustubha, 1. 2, so far as the second record is concerned. The language is Sanskrit throughout. In respect of orthography, the following points may be noticed. The letter b is throughout denoted by the sign for v; consonants are doubled after r; visarga has been (permissibly) omitted once before the following sth in vaksha-sthala, 1. 2 of both grants; n has been substituted for \vec{n} in $k\hat{a}nch\hat{i}$, l. 11 of No. II.; visarga followed by s has been at least thrico changed to that letter in Ranavigrahas-samabhava°, l. 33, °palakshitas=sôdramgaḥ, l. 51, and olakshais=sarddhaik, 1. 55 of the second record; anusvara followed by a nasal has been twice changed to that letter in summanita, 1. 18 of No. I. and 1. 20 of No. II., and in $q\hat{p}_{p}$ angananan-nayana-, 1. 6 of No. I.; the dental nasal has been used instead of an anusvara before s in sansati, 1. 25 of No. I. and l. 27 of No. II. Lastly, the same word is spelt länchhana in No. I. 1. 8, but lâmchhana in No. II. 1. 9.

Each of these two records registers the grant of a village to a Brahmana, made by the Rashtrakûta king Indra III. or, as he is described in lines 43-45 of No. II., the P.M.P., the prosperous Nityavarshanaréndradéva, who meditated on the fect of the P.M.P., the prosperous Akálavarshadéva, i.e. his grandfather Krishna II. Indra III. had, when the grants were made, gene to Kurundaka from his capital Manyakhéta for the pattabandha² festival. On that occasion he had himself weighed against gold, and, without coming out from the pan, gave away, together with twenty lakhs and a half of drammas, Kurundaka and other villages, granted afresh four hundred villages resumed by provious rulers, and finally bestowed the village of Tenna, according to No. II., on a Brahmana of the Lakshmana gôtra, a student of the Vâji-Mâdhyandina śâkhâ, and named Siddhapabhatta, the son of Śrâ-Vennapabhatta, originally of Pāṭaliputra; and the village of Umvarâ (or Umbarâ), according to No. I., on a Brahmana of the same gôtra and student of the same śâkhâ as the above grantee, but named Prabhākarabhatta, the son of Rāṇapabhatṭa. The charters are dated, in words, on the 7th tithi of the bright fortnight of Phâlguna of the Yuva-samvatsara, the Śaka year 836 (expired), which corresponds to the 24th February A.D. 915.

After the introductory ôm svasti and the opening verse invoking the protection of Vishnu and Siva with which almost all the Råshtrakûta grants begin, we have verse 2 in praise of

⁴ See above, Appendix to Vol. VII. p. 15, note 5.

For the meaning of this word see above, Vol. VII. p. 27, note 2.

the god Krishna. In the verse following we find Indrarajadeva (III.), the royal granter of the charters, compared to the god Upêndra (Vishnu). In verse 4 we are informed that the god Brahman sprang from the water-lily in the navel of Vishnu, from Brahman his son Atri, from Atri the Moon, and from the Moon the dynasty of the Yadus, where Krishna was born. In the next verse we are told that there arose king Dantidurga in the Satyaki branch of the Yadu dynasty, to whom of herself repaired the goldess of sovereignty of the Chalukya family. This means that Dantidurga was the first Rashtrakuta king who defeated the Châlukyas and made himself master of their dominions. From verse 6, if we notice the double entendre clearly intended, we learn that Dantidurga first reduced the lowermost, i.e. southern, country, then turned his arms against the Madhyadesa, and finally conquered the city of Kañchi. According to an inscription in the Dasavatara cave at Elura, Dantidurga subdued the rulers of Kânchî, Kalinga, Kôsala, Śriśnila, Mâlava, Lâța, Tanka, and so forth. If we are right in understanding verse 6 as we have done, Dantidurga first gained victories in the South and conquered the kings of Śriśaila, Kalinga, and so forth, then turned to the central part of India and subjugated the princes of Kôsala, Mâlava, Lata, and so forth, and finally came back again to the South and vanquished the lord of Kàñchí.

Verse 8 tells us that after Dantidurga his paternal uncle Krishnaraja (I.) came to the throne. The next verse makes mention of his son Nirupama (-Dhruva), but omits the name of his elder brother Govinda II., probably because the author of the inscription wanted to give a direct genealogy of the royal grantor, with reference to whom Govinda II, was a collateral prince, while he mentioned the name of Dantidurga as the latter was the founder of the dynasty. But by no means can this omission be taken as favouring the view that Govinda II. did not reign. I have elsewhere adduced reasons for dissenting from this view; and in support of my position may now be stated the incontrovertible fact that the Dhulia copper-plate grant³ of Govinda II.'s nophew and feudatory Suvarnavarsha-Karka distinctly refers itself to his reign, and gives the date Saka 701, when we must consequently suppose Govinda II, to have been alive and wielding supremacy. Verse 10 informs us that Nirupama (-Dhruva) won two white parasols in battle, one from the lord of Kôsala and the other from the king of the North. Who these princes were we have no means to determine. But it looks tempting to identify the king of the North either with the Indrayudha mentioned in the Jaina Harivamsa, or with Chakrayudha, the ruler of Kanauj and contemporary of Dharmapala of the Pala, and of Gôvinda III. of the Rashtrakûta, dynasty.4

Verse 11 says that from Nirupama(-Dhruva) sprang Jagattunga(-Gôvinda III.), who, in his turn, begat Śrivallabha(-Amôghavarsha I.). The next verse tells us that Amôghavarsha

¹ Arch. Surv. West. Ind. Vol. V. p. 88,

² Journ. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XX. p. 133 f.

² Above, Vol. VIII. p. 183.

In an unpublished grant of Amôghavarsha I. in the possession of my brother Prof. S. R. Bhandarkar, two princes of the names of Chakrayudha and Dharma are mentioned as having gone to the Himâlayas to do homage to Gôvinda III. who had gone thither on an expedition of conquest. It can hardly be seriously doubted that Dharma Bharmapâla, the second prince of the Pâla dynasty, and that Chakrâyudha is the same as the Chakrâyudha of the Bhâgalpur grant, whom Dharmapâla restored to his lost throne. Prof. Kielhorn (Naohrichten von der K. Ges. d. Wiss. zu Göltingen, 1905, p. 303) has already identified this Chakrâyudha with the Chakrâyudha of the Gwalior inscription, who was conquered by Nâgabhata. Nâgabhata again was a contemporary of Gôvinda III. (Journ. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XXI. p. 422, note 2). We have thus four princes, viz. Gôvinda III., Nâgabhata, Chakrâyudha and Dharmapâla, who were contemporaries. We know from Râshtrakûta records that Gôvinda III. reigned from A.D. 704 to 813. We must, therefore, suppose Dharmapâla to have flourished about this time. As this synchronism was not known before, it was but right to assign Dharmapâla to A.D. 861, the date of the Pathâri inscription referring itself to the reign of the Râshtrakûta prince Parabala (Nachroshten von der K. Ges. d. Wiss. zu Göttingen, 1901, p. 525 f.). But now we see that this date would be rather too late for Dharmapâla. Besides, there is nothing to show that this Parabala is, as a matter of fact, identical with Parabala, the father-in-law of Dharmapâla.

I. raised the glory of the Batta sovereignty immersed in the ocean of the Chalukyas and thereafter assumed the epithet Viranarayana. If we read between the lines, we cannot fail to notice that the Rashtrakûta sovereignty had been shaken by the Chalukyas of Vêngî to its very foundations in the early part of Amôghavarsha's reign. The Chalukva contemporary of Ameghavarsha I. was Narendramrigaraja-Vijayaditya II., who, in an Eastern Chalukya record, is represented to have fought, during twelve years, by day and night, a hundred and eight battles with the armies of the Gangas and the Rattas. The latter can be no other than the Rashtrakûtas of Malkhed, and it thus appears that Narendrampigaraja-Vijavåditva II. was a powerful king. We can, therefore, very well understand that he might have for a time eclipsed the glory of the Rashtrakûtas. Amôghavarsha I., however, was by no means slow to retrieve his lost reputation, and seems to have wrenked a terrible vengeance upon the Chalukyas, whom, as verse 13 informs us, he destroyed, just as a man burns chick-pea plants, the stalks of which have been pulled out by the root. That he inflicted a severe defeat on the Eastern Chalukyas can also be seen from the Cambay and Sånglî charters,2 in which he is said to have gratified the god Yama with unprecedented morsels of cakes which were the Chalukvas. Verse 13 incidentally gives us the information, if my interpretation is correct. that the Chalukyas whom Amoghavarsha I. vanquished had devastated Stambapura, which is the same as Tamralipta, identified with the modern Tamlûk, the head-quarters of the subdivision of the same name of the Midnapur district, Bengal.

From Śrivallabha(-Amōghavarsha I.), who was a comet of destruction to the Chalukya family (v. 14), sprang Krishnarāja (II.), whose fights with the Gūrjaras used to be still remembered by old men, as we are informed in verse 15. I have elsewhere pointed out that the Gūrjaras, with whom the Bāshṭrakūṭas were often at war, ruled over Northern India and had their capital at Mahòdaya or Kanauj, and consequently the Gūrjara prince defeated by Kṛishṇarāja II. (A.D. 888-911) must have been Mahêndrapāla (A.D. 899-907), the patron of the poet Rājasēkhara.

Krishnarâja II. had a son of the name of Jagattunga (v. 16), who married Lakshmi, the daughter of Ranavigraha, the son of Kokkalla of the Hainaya, i.e. Kalachuri, dynasty (vv. 17-19). It is worthy of note that Ranavigraha is here called Chêd-isvara, i.e. lord of Chêdi. The same fact is hinted by a verse in Jahlana's Sûktimuktûvalî, quoted by Dr. Bhandarkar in his paper on the Karhâd plates of Krishna III.,3 which purports to say that of rivers the Narmadâ, of kings Ranavigraha, and of poets Surânauda were the ornaments of Chêdi. The name Ranavigraha does not occur in the list of the names of the Kalachuris of Chêdi. From a Ratanpur inscription,4 however, we learn that Kokkalla had eighteen sons, of whom the first-born was a ruler of Tripurî, and the others lords of mandalas, i.e. minor chiefs. If this statement deserves any credence, Ranavigraha, being a ruler of Tripurî, i.e. of Chêdi, and not of a mandala, was the eldest son, and the successor of Kokkalla. But from the Benares copper-plate inscription⁵ it appears that Kokkalla was followed by his son Mugdhatunga-Prasiddhadhavala. We may, therefore, suppose that Ranavigraha and Mugdhatunga-Prasiddhadhavala were one and the same prince.

The issue of the marriage of Jagattunga with Lakshmi was Indraraja (III.), whose epithets Ratta-Kandarpadéva and Śri-Kirti-Narayana are mentioned in verses 20 and 21. The next verse contains a double entendre, and so far as its mythological sense goes, it does not present any difficulty. But the historical sense of this verse is by no means clear. This much is certain that it records the defeat of a king of the name of Upendra by the Rashtrakata prince Indraraja III. But who this Upendra was, and how the epithets k_{Pita} -

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. 1 100.

⁴ Above, Vol. IV. p. 280.

² Above, Vol. VII. p. 43 ; Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 252 f.

^{*} Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 83.

^b 1d. Vol. II. p. 301.

Girardhan-ôddhàra and hêl-ônmálita-Mêru, used in connection with the kings Upêndra and Indrarâja respectively, are to be interpreted, is far from clear. At one time I thought that Upêndra referred to Mahîpâla of the Pratihâra dynasty of Mahôdaya, for whom I then contended that the Bhâgalpur grant of the Pâla dynasty gave the other name Chakrâyudha.¹ But I have stated above that, beyond all doubt, Dharmapâla and Chakrâyudha, whom he re-instated on the throne, were contemporaries of the Râshṭrakûṭa prince Gôvinda III.² Chakrâyudha cannot, therefore, be identified with Mahîpâla, who was a contemporary of Indra III., the great-grandson of Gôvinda III. According to Pandit Bhagwanlal Indraji,³ the word Mêru in the expression hêl-ônmálita-Mêru signifies Mêra or Mêhra, and the whole expression speaks of the defeat of some contemporary Mêhra king of North Kâṭhiâwâḍ by Indrarâja III. Prof. Kielhorn, on the other hand, holds that Mêru probably is Mahôdaya,⁴ i.e. Kanauj, implying thereby that it records the capture of Kanauj by Indrarâja III. specified in the Sânglî charter. With regard to the other expression, viz. kṛita-Gôvardhan-ôddhâra, no interpretation has been proposed, and we must wait for the publication of other inscriptions to enable us to understand perfectly the historical sense of this verse.

In the preamble of the prose passage preceding the formal part of the inscription, the P. M. P. Śriman-Nityavarshanaréndradêva, i.e. Indrarâja 111., is speken of as "meditating on the feet" of the P. M. P. Śrimad-Akâlavarshadêva, i.e. his grandfather Krishna II. This indicates that Jagattunga, the father of Indrarâja III., did not come to the throno. The same may be concluded from the statement of our inscriptions that the battles of Krishnarâja II. were remembered and described by old men in Indra III.'s time. This shows that hardly a generation had passed since the occurrence of that event, and that consequently there was no Râshtrakûṭa sovereign intervening between Krishna II. and Indra III. The same conclusion is pointed to by the fact that the Kbârêpâṭan grant of Raṭṭarâja, in setting forth the Râshtrakûṭa genealogy, takes the succession direct from Krishna II. to Indra III. and refers to Jagattunga only further on as the father of Amôghavarsha-Vaḍdiga. But our conclusion is placed beyond all doubt by the Dêôli and Karhâḍ plates of Krishṇa III., which distinctly speak of Jagattunga as having died without obtaining the sovereignty.

The composer of our inscriptions was **Trivikramabhatta**, the son of **Némåditya**. There can hardly be a doubt that he is identical with Trivikramabhatta, the author of the Nalachampå, of the Śâṇḍilya gôtra, and the son of Nômåditya (var. lect. Dêvåditya). Another Sâṇḍilya-kavi-chakravartin Trivikrama was the sixth ancestor of the astronomer Bhâskarabhatta, a contemporary of king Bhôja of Dhârâ. The oldest mention of Trivikrama is in Bhôja's Sarasvatikanthâbharana, while he himself quotes Bâṇa. The authorship of a Madâlasâ-champâ is also attributed to this Trivikrama.

As regards the localities mentioned in the grants, Pāṭaliputra from where the grantee of No. II. emigrated is obviously Paṭṇā, the principal town of the district of the same name in Bengal, and Mānyakhēṭa, the capital of the royal grantor, is Mālkhēḍ in the Nizam's Dominions. Kurundaka, where Indrarāja III. had repaired for his paṭṭabandha, was first identified by Mr. A. M. T. Jackson with Kurundwāḍ at the junction of the Kṛishṇā and Pañchagaṅgà in the Southern Marāṭha country.⁸ In No. I. the village granted is Umvarā (or Umbarā) near Kammaṇijā in the country of Lāṭa, and the boundaries specified are Tôlējaka to E., Môgalikā to S., Saṅkī to W., and Javalakūpaka to N. Umvarā, as was first pointed

¹ Above, Vol. VII. p. 32.

^{*} See above, p. 26, note 4.

⁸ History of Gujarat, in the Gazetteer of the Bombay Presidency, Vol. I. Part I. p. 130.

^{*} See above, Appendix to Vol. VIII. p. 16, note 2.

⁵ Above, Vol. III. p. 298.

⁶ Above, Vol. IV. p. 283; Vol. V. p. 193.

Weber, Berlin Catalogue, Vol. II. p. 1205.

History of Gujardt, p. 130, note 8.

out by Dr. Bhandarkar, is the modern Bagumra, with the prefix bag. 1 Tôlôjaka and Môgalikâ cannot be identified, but Samkî and Javalakûpaka are Sanki, one mile S. W. of Bagumra, and Jolwa, one and a half mile N. of Bagumra. In No. II. the village granted is Tenna near Kammanijja, and the boundaries specified are Vāradapallikā (or Bārada°) to E., Nāmbhitaṭaka to S., Vališā (or Bališā) to W., and Vavviyaṇa (or Babbiyaṇa) to N. They have been identified with Ten, Bārdoli, Nadida, Wanesa and Baben respectively. Kammanijja, in the vicinity of which lay both the villages granted, is Kāmrēj. All those villages are to be found in the Nausārî division of the Baroda State. The Bagumrā grant of the Gujarāt Rāshṭrakūṭa Dhruva II. mentions Tronnā, both as a village and a territorial division, and speaks of the village of Tronnā as having been bestowed upon a certain Brāhmaṇa by his grandfather Dhruva I. (A.D. 834-35). "The explanation of its being given away again by the present record," as Dr. Fleet has rightly said, "is, no doubt, to be found in the statement, made in the present record, that Indra III. gave away four hundred villages which had been confiscated by previous kings; this was evidently one of them."

TEXT3 OF No. I.

First Plate.

- 1 स्वस्ति' [॥] स⁵ वोव्यादेधसा धाम यत्राभिकमलं कतं । इरच यस्य कान्तेन्द्रकलया कमलंकतम् ॥ [१*] जयति⁶
- 2 विविधवन्धुर्विध्यविद्धारिवचयंकविमलविलोललोस्तुभः नंसकेतुः । मुखसरसिज-रक्के यस्य ह-
- 3 त्यन्ति लच्च्याः स्नरभरपरिताम्यत्तारकास्ते कटाचाः ॥ [२*] सं जयित भुजदण्डमंत्रयत्रीः समर-
- 4 ससुवृतदुर्वरारिचकः । भपक्रतवित्मण्डलो⁰ वृत्तिंदः सततसुपेन्द्र द्विन्द्रराज-देवः ॥ [३*]
- 5 बस्ति[।] त्रीनाथनाभिस्फुरदृ[व]सरसाभीजजन्मा खयंभू(।)स्तस्मादिचः सु-तोभृदसृतकारपरिस्प-
- 6 म्ह¹¹ इम्हुस्ततीपि । तस्राइं[शो] यहूनां जगित स वहचे यस्य तैस्तैर्ब्धि-स्तासै: शार्कों गीप।क्रनानान-
- 7 यनकुवलयेरचीमानस्यार ॥ [४*] [त]ब्राम्बये विततसात्यकिवंश्रजमा श्रीद-न्तिदुर्गाष्ट्रप-
- 8 तिः पुरुषोत्तमोभूत् । चासुकायभजसभेः स्वयमेव सक्तीर्थे शंखचक्र[कर]-काञ्चन-

¹ Journ. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XVIII. p. 256.

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXI. p. 396.

[•] From inked estampages supplied to me by Rai Bahadur Venkayya.

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Metro: Ślóka (Anushtubh).

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⁸ Metre : Pushpitagra.

Metre: Malini.
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¹⁰ Metre : Sragdhara.

¹¹ Read outter.

¹² Metre: Vassatatilaka; and of the next verse.

¹⁸ Read of No.

- 9 माजगाम ॥ [५*] ति [ता]सदं द्वदयशारिजधन्यभागि स्वैरं पुनर्सेदु विमर्ध च मध्यदे-
- 10 र्य [।*] यस्यासमस्य [सम]र वसुधाङ्गनायाः कांचीष्रदे प[द]सकारि करिण भूयः ॥ [६*] षा सेतीः सातुव-
- 11 'प्रप्रवसकिपि[कुलो]कृनफुक[कव]क्रादा [कैसा]साइवानीचसच[र]णरणकृपुरी-बादितान्तात् ।
- 12 यस्याचां भूमिपालाः करमुकुलभिल[न्मी]िलमालायमानामानमैदन्तमाङ्गैरविन-तललुठळा-
- 13 नवो मानयन्ति ॥ [७*] जित्वा जगिक्कभुनि पु]नर्ज्जिगीषोः स्वर्ग विजितु-मिव तस्य गतस्य राज्ञः । तत्रा-
- 14 भवत्यरमधान्ति पदे पितृत्यः श्रीकृष्णराजन्यपितः प्रधितप्रतापः ॥ [८*] हिक्युन्दरीयदनचान्दनपच- 108022
- 15 भंगलीलाय[म]ानघनविस्तृतकान्तकीर्त्तः । श्रीराष्ट्रकूटकुलग्रीलमलंकरिण्णोस्तक्याः दभू-
- 16 विषयमो निरवद्यशौर्यः ॥ [८*] कीर्त्तः कुन्दरुचः समस्तभुवनप्रस्थानकुंभः सितो लद्म्याः

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- 17 लच्च्याः पाणितले विलासकासलं पूर्णोन्दुविस्वद्युति । एकं कंपितकोसले-चरकरादाच्छित्रसम्बद्ध-
- 18 नर्येनोदीच्यनराधिपाद्यश्च इव श्वेतातपत्रं रणे ॥ [१०*] तस्माक्षेभे जग-सुंगी जन्म सम्मानि-
- 19 त[द्विज]: । सोपि त्रीवक्कभं सुनुं राजराजमजीजनत् ॥ [११*] निमन्नां [य] यसुक्यान्धी । रहराज्यत्रि-
- 20 यं पुन: [1*] पृथ्वीमिवोबरत्थीरी¹¹ बीरनारायणोभवत् ॥ [१२*] समूलोन्मूलित-स्तम्बान्दण्डेनानी-¹²
- 21 तकपटक: । ¹³योद**ण्डचेल्याच्याच्याच्याच्याकानिव ॥ [१३*]** ¹⁴[ज्वेचलु]क्यकुल-

¹ Metre : Sragdhara.

² Read ONTENO

Metre: Vasantatilaka; and of the next verse.

b One of the two circles of the visarga has been omitted.

⁶ The repetition of this word is superfluous.

^{*} Corrected by the engraver from श्रेतातापणं.

[•] Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of the next two verses.

^{11 &}lt;sup>०</sup>बीरी is also possible. 14 Metro : Vasantstilakâ.

¹² Read Octor.

Metre : Śārdūlavikridita.

⁷ Read °年中°.

¹⁰ Read out 11.

[&]quot; Read ocuculto.





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ः द्वित्व व प्रविद्वित्रीतीहरण हम् हम् । अन्तर प्रवृति 34 34 各种和特别的特殊的 त्मानार्थम् विभोग्नेदन्यम् तत्वकृषार्रक्षिकाश्चायम् नन 36 36 ंश्रीन भी विस्तिता 38 38 र्वेश्वरीयनाम् ताना रम 40 बिसियम् इस्मान्त्रवा अम्बला मिल हित्वाद्यननितिहा रसायक्ले द्वानम् । द्वान 40 42 माल् वितामाग्राचानम् अवस्य वास्त्रामाल्यक तो।गती खोज हुन। सेर पर नर्दे हार 42 44 g 46 46 श्रीकृति म याना वार्येक्टा विवास 48

111 क्षिमा न्यवाः भावात्त्वस्य का नामि ए। नाम प्रस्य 50 इतिश्वास्त्रात्र्यात्रे स् ्रिकात् विस्तान्य सम्बद्धाः 52 प्ति कि विश्वासम्बद्धिया है विश्वासम्बद्धिया है । विभागने किस्ति विभागित 54 ं मानाली न स्वाद्य श्चेपानिय्ति रिणा संवेता निव 56 विसंना वित्यस्य प्रतिवाधिता नेषाद्वितयामुद्रायोगकृताहु दत्तात्व्रद्राय 58 निने विर्त्याणियोनं व धनानीवीवशया 60 प्तमलक्षियवान्यनाद्वावान्यमस्य ध य प्यति अस्ति मात्राकः तस्र कृष्णा अक्रवस्ताय लिखति इति दश्चिति, नायाक मनाय 62 वीय बीरियानियास्य स्वाट व्यवीतिन शुरिव 64 चाचायत्रशमसद्भागी'वित्वसम्हारतिनाम

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- 22 तोस्तकादक्कणचितिजनि क्रणराजः । पीतापि कर्षपुटकीर[स]क्रजनि[न] कीर्त्तिः परिश्र-
- 23 मित यस ग्रमाङ्गलान्तः ॥ [१४*] ¹ठयहीधितिरव्रजालजटिलं व्याक्तप्टमी-दृष्धनुः (।) क्रुन्तेनोप-
- 24 रि वैरिवीरशिरसामेवं विसुक्ता: श्ररा:। धारासारिणि से[न्द्र]चापवलये यध्ये-
- 25 ख[म]व्हागमे ग[क्री]हूर्क[र]सङ्गरव्यतिकरं जीव्ही जनः ग्र[न्स]ति ॥ [१५*] सजनि जनि-
- 26 तभक्को वैरिष्ट[न्द]स्य तस्त्रादधरितमदनत्रीः त्रीजगत्तंग[दे]व[: । ध्व]जसरिस-
- 27 जशंखप्रोज्ञसत्त्रकाणिर्विभवविजितविशुर्वज्ञभो वीर[ल]स्म्याः ॥ [१६*] [मा]-सीत्कोप्य-
- 28 य हैइयान्वयभवो भू[प]: '[स]इस्रार्जुनो गर्ज्यहु[र्ज्ज]यरावचीर्ज्जितससहोईण्ड-कण्डू-
- 29 इर: । वित्रान्तै: त्रवणेषु नाकसदसां यत्कीर्त्तिनामाचरै: सिष्ठै: सान्द्रसुधा-रसेन खि-
- 30 खितेर्थाप्ताः ककुव्भित्तयः' ॥ [१७*] वंग्री तस्य सपत्रवंशपरशीः कोत्रज्ञभूपा- सजी राजा श्रीर-
- 31 णविश्वत्र: समभवचेदीश्वर: कीर्त्तिमान् । यस्यारातिपुरंभिमण्डनसुष: सर्व्वापि प्रवीप-
- 32 ति: सूर्यस्येन्दुरिव प्रयाति विकलः पचचये मण्डलम् ॥ [१८*] ^१सक्तलगुण-गणास्वेर्व्यिष्परचा-¹⁰
- 33 सधानः कॅलितकमसपाणिस्तस्य नक्तीः सुताभूत् । यदुकुसकुसुदेन्दुः सन्दरीचित्तकारी

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- 31 इरिरिव परिणिन्ये तां जगत्तुंगदेव: ॥ [१८*] चतुबदिधतटा[न्त]ख्यातश्रीयीय ताभ्यामभवदरि-
- 35 घरहो रष्टकन्दर्भदेव: । मनसि कतनिवास: कान्तसीमन्तिनीनां सकक-जनग्ररुख: पु-
- 36 खालावखाराभि: ॥ [२०*] "मदनममृतिवन्दुस्यन्दिमन्दोस विस्वं" नवनिलनमृणालं चन्द्रनां चन्द्रिकां

Metro: Sardulavikridita; and of the next verse.

¹ Metre : Sardul viktidita.

³ Read °मन्द्रागमे. 4 Metre: Malini.

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^{*} The letter tma is not well-formed.

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¹¹ Read 「何夜°

¹³ Read Tant.

- 37 च । अपरमपि यदीयैर्ज्ञमानिर्माणधिषैरणभिरिव चकार स्रष्ट[म]ानिन्द वेधाः
 ॥ [२१*] देवो¹
- 38 'यसतुरस्युराधिरश्चनारोचिणुविचभरामान्नामविजविक्रमेण समभूत् योकीर्त्तिः नारा-
- 39 यण: [।*] श्रुत्वा जन्म यदीयमाकुलिधयां जग्मु: स[मं] विद्यिषां देंचां वक्करचो मर्नासि च भ-
- 40 यं सेवांजिलं मीलयः ॥ [२२*] 'कतगोवर्डनोद्वारं [हे]लोन्मूलितमेरुणा । उपन्ट-
- 41 मिन्द्रराजिन जिल्ला येन न विस्मितम् ॥ [२३*] ⁶सन्नस्जननमस्यः मीय क्त[त्व]ा नमस्या-
- 42 मुवनपतिरनेकान्देवभोगाग्रहारान् । उपरि पर[श्र]रामस्यैककुगामदान-
- 43 स्मुरितगुणगरिम्णस्थागकीत्त्र्या वभूव ॥ [२४*] स च परसभद्दारकमहाराजा-धिराजपरसेश्व-
- 44 रत्रीमदकालवर्षदेवपादानुध्यातपरमभद्वारकमञ्चाराजाधिराजपरमेश्वर-
- 45 त्रीपृष्वीवन्नभत्रीवन्नभत्रीमनित्यवर्षनरिन्द्रदेव: कुश्रली सर्व्यानेव यथासंवध्य⁻
- 46 भानाचाष्ट्रपतिविषयपतिग्रामकूटयुक्तकियुक्तकाधिकारिकामस्त्ररादी-
- 47 नामादिशत्यस्त व: संविदितं यथा श्रीमान्यखेटराजधानीनिवेशिना श्रीप-
- 48 द्वन्धायº क्षुबृन्दकमागतेन मया मातापिचोरात्मनश्ची हिकासुमिकपुण्य-

Third Plate.

- 49 यशोभिष्टदये (।) लक्ष्मणगोत्राय वालिमाध्यन्दिनसन्नस्नाचारिणे गणपभद्रसुताय
- 50 प्रभाकरभद्दाय लाटदेशान्तर्गतकमाणिकासमीपे उम्बरानामयामः यस्य पूर
- 51 र्व्यत: तीसेजकं द्विणती मोगलिका प्रयमत: संकीग्राम उत्तर[ती] जवसकूपकमे-
- 52 वमाघाटचतुष्ट्योपलच्चितः सोद्रंगः सपरिकरः सदग्डदशा[प]राधः सीत्पद्यमान-
- 53 विष्टिक: प्रधान्य चिरण्यादेयोभ्यन्तरसि[च्या] पूर्व्वदेवब्रह्मदायरचितः भक्तन्य-
- 54 तीत[मं]वत्यरमतेष्वष्टासु¹³ घट्चिमदुत्तरेषु [यु]वसंवत्सरफाल्नग्रससम्यां मंपसे

¹ Metre : Śardúlavikridita.

¹ Read otto

[!] Read सम्भ की°.

[•] Metre : Śloka (Anushtubh).

⁶ Metre : Malini.

⁶ Read awa.

⁷ Read "संबध्य".

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¹¹ Road Gafera:.

¹² Rend "TW".

[&]quot; The inner stroke of sh in shoe is wanting.

- 55 त्रीपश्वन्धोत्सवे तुलापुरुषमारुग्न तसादनुत्तरता च कुरुन्दकादीन्प्रामान्
- 56 चन्यान्यपि पूर्वप्रवीपात्तवि[त्तु]प्तानि चलारि यामग्रतानि विग्रतिद्रम-सर्वेद्या-
- 57 हैं: सह विप्रेभ्यो विसुख विश्वचित्रविद्यविवान्त्रिश्चीनातिथि[सं]तर्प्यवार्थम(र)-
- 58 द्यीदकातिसर्मीण दत्तीस्रोचितया 'व्रद्मदायस्थित्या भुंजती [भो]जयत: क्रषत:
- 59 कर्षयतः प्रतिदिश्यतो वान्यस्मे न केनचिद्द्यापि परिपंथना कार्या [।*] तथा-गामिभिरस्प-
- 60 ⁸ इंग्रीरनीर्का सामान्धं भूमिदानफलमवेत्य खदायनिर्व्विधीषीयमस्त्र इन्नदायी-नुमन्त-⁶
- 61 व्य: [।*] यखाज्ञानाक्षीपयित स पंचिभिन्धीशापातकीः संयुक्तः स्यादुकां च भगवता व्यासेन ॥ प-
- 62 ष्टिं⁷ वर्षसङ्खाणि स्वर्गी तिष्ठति भूमिदः । पाच्छेता चानुमन्ता च तान्धेव नरके वसेत् ॥ [२५*] सा-
- 63 मान्योयं धर्मसेतुर्नृपाणां काले काले पालनीयो भवद्विः । सर्व्वानितान्धा-विनः पार्थिवेन्द्रान्
- 64 भूयो भूयो [य]ाचते रामभद्रः ॥ [२६*] श्त्रीचिविक्रमभद्देन नेमादित्यस्य सूनुना क्वता प्रथस्तेयं त्री [॥*]

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First Plate.

- 1 भी स्वस्ति । स वीव्यादेषसा धाम यदाभिकामलं कतं.। इरस यस्य क्ति। क्ति कर्मः
- 2 लंक्ततम् ॥ [१*] जयित ¹¹विवुधवन्धुव्विन्ध्यविस्तारिवच्चस्यलविमलविलोलक्षौ-स्तभः कंस-
- 3 तुः¹¹ । सुखसरमिजरक्ने यस्य नृत्यंति लद्दम्याः स्न[र]भरपरिताम्यत्तारकास्ते कटा-
- 4 ज्ञा: ॥ [२*] म जयित भुजदण्डसंत्रयशीः समरससुदृत[दु]र्धरारिचकः । अपन्नतविक्रस-12

[ा] Read °वस्तीलारी

[?] Read oमानवावापि.

³ Read बल्ति°.

⁴ Read #81°.

[•] Corrected by the engraver from oring.

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⁷ Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁸ Metre : ÉAlinf.

Metre: Ślôka (Annshtubh); this verse was left incomplete for want of space

¹⁰ Bood विवस्थानि

¹¹ Read कंसकेत:.

¹² Rea ? व्यक्ति .

- 5 गडलो टमिंह: सततसुपेन्द्र इविन्द्रराजदेव: ॥ [३*] श्रस्ति श्रीनाधनाभि-स्फुरदुवसरसांभीज(1)-
- 6 जन्मा [ख]यंभूस्तस्मादिषः स्तोभूदस्तकस्परिस्थन्दः सन्दुस्ततोपि । त[स्ना]-दंशो यटूनां
- 7 जगित स वहधे यत्र तैस्तैब्बिलासै: शाक्री गीपाक्र[नानां] नयनकु-वल्रये-
- 8 रर्चमानयचार ॥ [४*] तत्रात्वये विततसात्यक्षिवंग्रजमा स्रीदन्तिदुर्गः-न्रपतिः
- 9 पुरुषोत्तमोभूत् । चालुकावंशजलधे: स्वयमेव लक्षीर्यं शंखिचक्रकरलांकः
- 10 न[म]जिगाम ॥ [५*] क्वलाखदं हृदयद्वारिजवन्यदेशे खीरं पुनर्मदु विमर्य च मध्यदेशं ।
- 11 यस्यासम[स्य] समरे वसुधाङ्गनाया: 'काण्चीपदे पदमकारि करेण भूय: ॥ [६*] पा सेतो: मा-
- 12 वनवप्रवलकिप्तकु[लो]मूनपुम्मवङ्गादा 'कैलासाम्न[वा]नीचसचरणरणन्नपुरो-
- 13 वादितान्तात् । यस्याज्ञां भूमिपालाः करमुकुलमिलसौ[लि]मालायमा-नामानसीक्-
- 1। त्तमार्ष्ट्ररविततललुठज्ञानवी मानयन्ति॥ [७*] जित्वा जगन्निअभुजेन पुनर्ज्जि-गीपो: स्वर्गे
- 15 विजित्सिव तस्य गतस्य राज्ञः ।(।) तचाभवत्यरमधान्ति पदे पितृव्यः श्रीक्षणाराजन्य-
- 16 ति: प्रथितप्रताप: ॥ [८*] दिक्तुम्हरीवदनचान्दनपत्रभंगलीलायमानघनविस्तत-[का]न्तकी-

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- 17 त्तें: [।*] यीराष्ट्रकूटकुनशैलमलंकरिष्णोस्तस्मादभूविरुपमी निरवदाशीयः।

 । [८*] कीभें: कु-
- 18 न्दरुच: ममस्तभुवनप्रस्थानकुषः सितो लद्दस्याः पाणितले विलासकमलं पूर्णे-
- 19 न्दुविम्ययुति⁶ । एकं कंपितकोससिश्वरकरादाच्छित्रमन्यत्पु[न]र्येनोदीच्यनरा-धिपादा-
- 20 श इव चेतातपत्रं रणे ॥ [१०*] तस्त्राक्षेभे जगनुक्ती जना सम्मानि-तदिज: । मीपि चीवक्क-

Bend प्रवस्त .

^{&#}x27;Read "पविष्यस्ट.

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¹ Read **ेह्रवार्गी** ...

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- 21 भं सूनुं राजराजमजीजनत् ॥ [११*] निमन्नां ययलुक्यासी। रहराज्य-श्रियं पुनः [।*] पृथ्वी[मि]वोदर-
- 22 स्थीरी वीरनारायणीभवत् ॥ [१२*] 'समूलोम्मूलितस्तस्यान्दण्डेनानीतकण्टकः। योदच्चे-
- 23 विषयण्डचलुक्यायणकानिव ॥ [१३*] उच्चैयलुक्यकुलकन्दलकालकेतोस्तस्मादक-
- 24 च्याचरितोजनि काचाराजः । पीतापि कार्ग्णपुटकौरसक्तज्जनिन कीर्तिः परि-
- 25 भ्रमति यस्य प्रशाङ्कलान्ति: ॥ [१४*] ख्यहीधितिरत्नजालजिट[लं] व्याक्षष्टमी-
- 26 दृग्धनुः क्रुडे[नो]परि वेरिवीरशिरसामेवं विसुक्ताः श्रराः। धारासारिणि सेन्द्रचापव-
- 27 लग्ने यस्येत्यमव्दागर्म' गर्क्कनूर्क्करसंगरव्यतिक[रं] जीर्त्णो जनः ग्रन्मिति
- 28 जिन जिनतभंगो वैरि[ह]न्दस्य तस्मादधरितमदनश्री: श्रीजगशुंगदेव: । ध्वजसर-
- 29 सिजगंखप्रोत्तसम्बक्ष[पाणि]र्ष्विभवविजितविष्णुर्व्वत्तभो वीरलच्याः ॥ [१६*] भासीत्कीप्यथ
- 30 हैश्यान्वयभवो भूप: सहस्रार्भुनो गर्ज्जंदुर्क्जयरायणीर्ज्जितलसहोईण्डकण्डूह-
- 31 र: [।*] वियान्ती: अवणेषु ना[क]सदसां यत्कीर्त्तिनामाचरै: सित्ते:" सान्द्रसुधारसेन लिखि-
- 32 तैर्ब्याप्ताः ककुव्यित्तयः" ॥ [१७*] वंग्री तस्य सपत्नवंग्रपरशोः कोकक्षभूपा-सजी राजा [श्री]-

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- 33 रणविषक्तसमभविदेति[श्व]रः कीर्त्तिमान् । यस्यारातिपुरिन्ध्रमण्डनमुषः रार्व्वापि प्रश्रीप-
- 34 ति: सूर्यस्येन्दुरिव प्रयाति विकलः पचचये मण्डलम् ॥ [१८*] सकलगुण-गणास्येर्व्विष्क्रासाम-"
- 35 धाम्नः कत्तितक्रमसपाणिस्तस्य सद्भीः सुताभूत् । यदुकुलकुमुदेन्दुः सुन्द-रीचित्तद्वारी

¹ Read ° न्यान्त्री.

Read "Hear".

[ा] Rend "दहद्वे°.

⁴ Read ⁰भन्दागभे.

Read शंसति.

^{*} Read fest:

⁷ Road कार्काभिभागः

[!] Read सर्वापि.

[&]quot; Read 'गणाचे विस्तुर'.

- 36 इरिरिव परिणिन्ये तां जगसुङ्गदेव: ॥ [१८*] चतुरुद्धितटान्तख्यातशीर्थ्योध ताभ्याम[भ]व-
- दरिघरहो रहकन्दर्भदेव: । सनसि क्रतनिवास: कान्तसीर्मन्तिनीनां 'सवाल-37 जनगरण्यः प्र-
- खलावखराणि: ॥ [२०*] देवी 'यसतुरस्त्रुराणिरमनारीचिख्विसभरामाका-सिजविक्रमेण स-
- 39 मभूत्^३ श्रीकीर्त्तिनारायणः। श्रृत्वा जन्म यदीयमाकुलिधयां जन्मुः विद्विषां
- 40 दैन्यं वक्राक्चो मनांसि च भयं सेवांजलां मीलय: ॥ [२१*] क्रतगी-वर्डनोडारं हिली-
- 41 नम्लितमेरुणा [।*] उपेन्द्रमिन्द्रराजेन जिला येन न विस्नितम् ॥ [२२*] सकलजनसमस्यः 4
- 42 सीय क्रला नमस्यान्भवनपतिरनेकान्देवभीगाग्रहाराना उपरि परग्ररामस्यैकः
- क्रुपामदानस्क्रितगुणगरिम्णस्त्यागकीर्त्या वभूव ॥ [२३*] स च परमभद्वारकः महाराजाधिराज-
- 41 परमेश्वरश्रीमदकालवर्षदेवपादानुध्यातपरमभद्दारकमञ्चाराजाधिराजपरमेश्वर-
- 45 त्रीमित्रत्यवर्षनरेन्द्रदेव: क्षुत्राली सर्व्यानिव 'यथासंवध्यमानकात्राष्ट्रपतिविषयपति-यास-
- 46 फ्रटयुक्तकनियुक्तकाधिकारिकमञ्चलरादीन्समादिश्रत्यस्त वः संविदितं यथा श्रीमान्ध-
- खेटराजधानीनिविधिना श्रीपृष्टवस्थीत्सवाय कुरुन्दकमागतेन पिचीराता-
- 48 नयेष्ट्रिकास्मिकपुण्ययभोभिद्ववये (1) लच्चाणसगोत्राय वालिमाध्यन्दिनसब्बद्धाचा-

Third Plate.

- 49 रिणे पाटलिए बिविमर्गत श्रीवेच प्रभावस्त्रताय सिंहपभद्दाय साटदेशान्तर्गत-कमाणिजा-
- 50 समीपे तैननामगाम: [।*] यस्य पूर्वती वारडपन्निका [।*] दिचणती नाश्रीतटवं [1*] पश्चिमतो वली-

¹ Kead सक्तल⁰.

[?] Read "Teg".

⁸ Read सममुक्ती".

⁶ Read [©]जननस्य:,

⁵ Read TTTHI.

^{&#}x27; Load Tall'.

⁸ Read WWW. Read "HEE".

⁷ Read "Have".

- 51 मा [।*] उत्तरतो विव्ययणपामः [।*] एवमा[घा]टचतुष्टयोपलिकतसोद्रंगः सपरिकर[:] सदण्ड-
- 52 दशापराधः सौत्यव्यमानविष्टिकः सधान्यिष्ट[र]प्या[दे*]योध्यन्तरसिक्ष्या शकत्रप-कालातीतसंवत्यर-
- . 53 शतेष्वष्टासु षट्त्रिंगदुत्तरेषु युवसंवत्परफाल्गुनगुत्तसप्तम्यां संपन्ने श्रीपद्दवस्थीता-
 - 54 वे तुलापुरुषमारु तस्मादनुत्तरता च कुरुन्दकादीन् ग्रामानन्यान्यपि पूर्वे-प्रवीपालवि-
 - 55 तुप्तानि चलारि ग्रामण्यतानि विंग्रतिद्रमान्त्रचेसार्षे: सन्न विमुच्य ^वविल-चन्नवैत्रदेवाग्नि-
 - 56 होत्रातिथिसंतर्पणार्थम (ा) बोदकातिसर्गेण दत्तीस्थोतितया 'श्रह्मदायस्थित्या
- 57 भुंजती भीजयतः काषतः कार्षयतः प्रतिदिश्यतो वान्यसी न केनचिद्रस्पापि परि-
- 58 पत्यना कार्या [।*] तथागामिभिभेद्रनृपतिभिरस्राइंग्येरन्येव्वी सामान्यं भूमिदानफल-
- 59 मवेत्य खदायनिर्व्विभेषोयम[स्म]दुद्वायोनुमन्तव्य: [।*] यथाज्ञानाक्षोपयति स पंचभिमीहा-
- 60 पातको: संयुक्तः स्यादुिकां] च भगवता व्यासेन । षष्टिं वर्षसङ्क्षाणि स्वर्गा तिष्ठति भूमिद: [।*] पाण्डिः]-
- 61 त्ता चातुमन्ता च तान्येव नरके वसित् ॥ [२४*] च[मने]रपत्यं पथमं सुवर्ण्ण भूर्व्वेष्णवी सुर्यसुतास्व [गा]-
- 62 व: [।*] स्रोजनयं तेन भवेषि दत्तंयः कांचनं गां च महीं च दद्यात्॥ [२५*] सामान्यो[यं] धर्मासेतर्रुपाणां
- 63 काल काल पालनीयो भवितः । सर्व्वानितानभाविनः पार्थिवेन्द्रान् भूयो भूयो याचते रासभदः ॥ [२६*]
- 64 श्रीचिविक्रमभद्देन [ने]मादित्यस्य स्तुना । कता ग्रस्ता प्रश्वस्तेयसिन्द्रराजां-न्निसेविना ॥ [२७*] श्री: [॥*]

TRANSLATION OF No. II.

Oh. Hail!

(Verse 1.) May be (Vichnu), the water-lily (springing from) whose navel was made (his) abode by Vêdhas (Brahman), protect you, and Hara (Siva) whose head is adorned by the beautiful crescent of the moon!

¹ Read "wall".

² Rend afer

^{*} Read 東朝^o.

⁴ Road Outstan.

⁶ Read प्रथमं.

- (V. 2.) Victorious is (Krishna), (who is) the comet (of destruction) to Kanisa (and is) the friend of the gods, on whose chest, extensive as the Vindhya (mountain), dangles the pure Kanstubha, (and) on the stage of whose lotus-like face dance the side-glances of Lakshmi, with the pupils (of her eyes) languid through excess of love!
- (V. 3.) Ever victorious is the king Indraraja (III.), whose long arms (were made her) refuge by the goddess of Wealth, who has rooted out in battles the circle of (his) enemies difficult to withstand, who has seized the territories of the mighty, (and who is) the lion (i.e. the best) among men, just as Upondra (Vishnu) is ever victorious, whose long arms (were made her) support by (the goddess) Lakshmi, who held up in battles (his) discuss bearing spokes and difficult to resist, who carried off Bali and (his) legions (to Pdtāla), (and who was) a man-lion (in his fourth incarnation).
- (V. 4.) The self-existent (Brahman) was born of the wide and blooming water-lily springing from the navel of (Vishnu) the lord of Śrî; of him was born (his) son Atri; (and) of him again (i.e. of Atri) the Moon that overflows with rays of nectar. From him there grew on earth the lineage of the Yadus, amongst whom (at one time) flourished (Vishnu) the wielder of the Śārnya (bow) (in his nighth incarnation as Krishna), who was worshipped by the lotus-eyes of cowherdesses with every kind of flirtation.
- (V. 5.) In that family there arose the illustrious king Dantidurga, born in the great Sâtyaki branch, the best of men, whose hand (bore) the (auspicious) marks of the conch and discus, (and) to whom of herself came the goddess of wealth of the Châlukya family, just as (in that family) there arose Parushôttama (Krishņa), who prolonged the line of Sâtyaki, who (hold) the conch and discus in (his) hands as (his peculiar) characteristics, (and) to whom of herself came (the goddess) Lakshun from the ocean.
- (V. 6.) The hand (i.e. the provess) of this (prince), matchless in battle, having (jirst) established itself on the beautiful lowermost region of the earth, and having again overcome in a gentle manner at its own will the central region (Madhyadééa), again established itself in the province of Kañchi, just as the hand (of a lovar), after (jirst) establishing itself on the hips of a woman, attractive to the heart, and pressing again gently at its will (her) waist, again establishes itself on the region (below the waist) where the girdle (is worn).
- (V. 7.) His orders, forming a wreath on (their) crosts with which came in contact (their) hands (joined) like buds, (all) kings respect with (their) heads slightly bent (and) with (their) knees rolling about on the surface of the earth, from Sôtu (Râmêšvaram), where the blossoming lavanya (trees) are destroyed on the declivities of mountain-tops by hosts of powerful monkeys, as far as the Kailâsa (mountain), the outskirts of which resound with the jingling anklets on the moving feet of Bhayânî.
- (V. 8.) When that king, after conquering the world by his own arm, had gone to heaven as if to conquer (it), being desirous of a fresh victory,— (his) paternal uncle, the illustrious king Kṛishṇarâja (I.), of well-known prowess, occupied his position of supreme majesty.
- (V. 9.) Nirupama, of spotless valour, sprang from that (king), whose fame, solid, extensive and bright, diverted itself in the form of the lines of sandal-painting on the faces of the beauties, (viz.) the quarters, (and) who adorned the mountain (consisting of) the family of the glorious Rüshtrakütas.
- (V. 10.) From the hand of the trembling lord of the Kôsalas was snatched away by him in battle one white (regal) parasol, which was the white (auspicious) water-pitcher for the setting out of (his) fame, bright as the kunda (flower), on a journey over the whole world, (and) which

¹ "Patr. of Yuyudhana (a warrier in the Pandu army who acted as the charioteer of Krishna and belonged to the Vrishni family)."—Monier Williams' Dictionary.

was the toy-lotus, resplendent as the disc of the full moon, on the palm of the hand of Lakshnii; another again (was snatched away by him) from the king of the northern (country) as if it were (his) glory.

- (V. 11.) From him obtained birth Jagattunga, who honoured the twice-born; he in his turn begat as son the king of kings Srivallabha.
- (V. 12.) This (prince), possessed of fortitude, on raising again the glory of the Ratta kingdom, drowned in the ocean of the Chalukyas, became (i.a. assumed the epithet of)
 Viranârâyaṇa, just as (Vishṇu), again uplifting the earth, drowned in the ocean, became
 Vîranârâyaṇa (i.a. the heroic Nârâyaṇa).
- (V. 13.) Having, by means of punishment, put down obnoxious persons, he destroyed the fiery Chalukyas, (his) enemies, who had completely devastated (the city of) Stamba, just as (a gardoner), after removing the thorns by means of a stick, burns chick-peas, the stalks of which have been plucked out with the roots.
- (V. 14.) From him, who was the comet of destruction to the plantain tree, (viz.) the high family of the Chalukyas, was born Krishnarāja (II.), of spotless life, whose fame, bright as the moon, wanders about, though constantly drunk by the people by means of the cavities of (their) ears.
- (V. 15.) On the advent of clouds, when there is a heavy downpour of rain (and) when the circular rainbow (appears in the sky), the old men thus describe the event of his fight with the roaring Gûrjara:—"Thus did (he) in anger draw (his) bow, studded with a series of gens darting forth rays; thus did (he) discharge arrows at the heads of the warriors of (his) enemy."
- (V. 16.) From him was born the illustrious Jagattungadeva, who caused the destruction of the multitude of (his) enemies, who surpassed the beauty of Madana, who was the beloved of the goddess of Heroism, (the palm of each of) whose hands (bore the anspicious sign of) a discus shining by means of (the marks of) a banner, a lotus and a conch, (and) who (thus) by (his) greatness excelled Vishmu.
- (V. 17.) There was a king (named) Sahasrarjuna, sprung from the Haihaya lineage, who relieved the itching sensation² of the powerful and shining long arms of the rearing and invincible Ravana, (and) the letters (setting forth) whose fame and name, finding a resting-place in the ears of the gods, (and) written by the Siddhas with the dense fluid of nectar, covered the walls of the quarters.
- (V. 18.) In the dynasty of him who was an axe to the families of (his) enemies, there arose the renowned illustrious king Ranavigraha, the son of king Kokkalla (and) the lord of Chédi, into whose circle (of faudatory princes), pilferer as he was of the ornaments of the wives of (his) enemies, entered every enfectived lord of the earth on the destruction of (his) partisans, just as the moon, destitute of (all) the digits, enters the disc of the sun at the end of the (dark) fortnight.
- (V. 19.) From him who was the receptacle of a collection of all virtues (and) the abode of resplendent majesty, there was born a daughter (named) Lakshmi, possessed of lotus-like hands. [just as from the ocean, which is the abode (of the sun) of intensely gleaming rays, there sprang Lakhsmi, possessed of a lotus in (her) hand]; Jagattungadêva, the moon to the nightlotus of the Yadu race (and) the ravisher of the hearts of beautiful women, married her (ciz. Lakshmi, the daughter of Ranavigraha), just as Hari, the moon to the night-lotus of the Yadu race (and) the ravisher of the hearts of beautiful women, married her (ciz. the goddess Lakshmi).

¹ The saire as "Amralipta, i.e. Tamlak; see p. 27 above.

^{· [}Compare Śiśupálavadha, I. 48.]

- (V. 20.) From these two sprang Ratta-Kandarpadêva, whose bravery was known as far as the shores of the four oceans, who was a grinding-stone to (his) enemies, who dwelt in the hearts of beautiful women, who was a refuge to all men, (and) who was a store of merit and beauty, [just as from (Hari and Lakshmi) sprang the god Kandarpa (i.e. Cupid), whose prowess is known as far as the shores of the four oceans, who is a grinding-stone to (his) enemies, who abides in the minds of beautiful women, who is a refuge to all persons, (and) who is a store of heavenly beauty].
- (V. 21.) This king, overrunning, by means of his own valour, the earth shining with the girdle of the four oceans, became (i.e. was known as) Sri-Kirti-Nârâyana, just as the god (Vishnu), covering, with his stride, the earth shining with the girdle of the four oceans, was known as Śri-Kirti-Nârâyana; on hearing of whose birth, the lustre of the faces, the minds, and the heads of (his) enemies, whose understanding was bewildered, simultaneously experienced dejection, fear, and the cavity of the hands folded (as a mark of) servitude.
- (V. 22.) This Indrarâja (III.), having uprooted Mêru (Mahôdaya?) with ease, was not puffed up with pride at (his) defeating (king) Upêndra who had saved Gêvardhana, just as the god Indra, who uprooted (Mount) Mêru with ease, was not puffed up with pride at (his) vanquishing (the god) Upêndra (Krishna) who had uplifted the Gêvardhana (mountain).
- (V. 23.) This lord of the earth, entitled to obeisance from all men, on founding many endowments to temples and agraháras (to Brâhmanas), to be respected (by all), became, in point of fame for charity, superior to Parasurâma, the greatness of whose merits shone by the gift of a single insignificant village.
- (Ll. 43-56.) And he, the Paramabhattaraka Maharajadhiraja Paramaśwara, the prosperous Nityavarshanarendradeva, who meditates on the feet of the Paramabhattaraka Maharajadhiraja Paramaśwara, the prosperous Akalavarshadeva, being well, commands all the lords of provinces (rashtra), lords of districts (vishaya), chiefs of villages, leading persons, officials, employés, functionaries, etc., according as they are concerned:—
- "Be it known to you that by Me, who resides at the capital of Manyakhêta (and) who has come to Kurundaka for the glorious festival of the binding of the fillet,—for the enhancement of the religious merit and fame, in this world and the next, of (My) parents and Myself— with heartfelt devotion—eight centuries of years increased by thirty-six having clapsed since the time of the Saka king, on the seventh (tithi) of the bright (fortnight) of Phalguna in the Yuva-samvatsara— having, on the completion of the glorious fostival of the binding of the fillet, ascended the Tulâpurusha, and having, without coming down from the pan, given away, together with twenty lakhs and a half of drammas, Kurundaka and other villages, and four hundred villages besides, that had been confiscated by previous kings,—was bestowed to-day, by pouring water from the hand, for the sake of the Bali, Charu, Vaiśvadêva, Agnihôtra and Atithisantarpana,—upon Siddhapabhatta, of the Lakshmana gôtra, a student of the Vâji-Mâdhyandina (śākhā), (and) the son of Śrî-Vennapabhatta who had come from Pâṭaliputra,—the village of the name of Tenna in the vicinity of Kammanijja situated in the country of Laṭa, defined by the four boundaries, viz. to the east Vâradapallikâ, to the sonth Nâmbhitaṭaka, to the west Valiŝā, (and) to the north the village of Vavviyaṇa, together with the royal share,

There can hardly be a doubt that this verse is intended to yield two meanings, one mythological and the other historical. The first is clear, but the historical sense is by no means evident; see above, p. 27 f.

² There is here a play on the word ku, which means both 'the earth' and 'insignificant.'

[&]quot; Gift of gold, etc., equal to a man's weighe "-M mier Williams' Dictionary.

According to No. I. 149 ff.—"upon Prablakarabhatta, of the Lakshmana gótra, a student of the Vaji-Madhyandina (sákhá), and the son of Ranapabhatta,— the village of the name of Umvara in the vicinity of Kammannja situated in the country of Lata, defined by the four boundaries, viz. to the cast Tôlêjaka, to the south Môgalika, to the west the village of Samka, (and) to the north Javalakûpaka."

with the appurtenances, with (the proceeds of the punishments for) faults and the ten offences, with (the right to) forced labour as it arises, with the assessment in grain and gold.

(Ll. 56-59.) "No hindrance should in the slightest degree be caused by any one to him while enjoying (this village), allowing (others) to enjoy (it), cultivating (it), causing (it) to be cultivated, or assigning (it) to another, in accordance with the manner of a gift to a Brâhmana. Likewise, this My gift to a Brâhmana should be assented to, just as if it were their own gift, by the good kings of the future, whether My descendants or others, bearing in mind that the fruit of a gift of land is common (both to the granter and to the preserver)."

[L. 59 f. and vv. 24-26 contain the usual admonitions to future rulers.]

(V. 27.) This praiseworthy panegyric was composed by the illustrious Trivikramabhatta, the son of Némaditya (and) serving the feet of Indraraja.

No. 5.—RAGHOLI PLATES OF JAYAVARDHANA II.

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These plates were kindly sent to me by Mr. C. E. Low, I.C.S., Deputy Commissioner of the Bâlâghât district, Central Provinces. They were found in the village Ragholi belonging to the Sâletekri Zamîndârî, now under the Court of Wards and included in the Baihar tahsil of that district, by a cultivator while ploughing the field. There are three copper-plates, of which the second and third bear writing on both sides; the third plate has only two lines on the reverse side. The plates are broader in the middle than at the top or at the bottom. At the broadest part they measure nearly $6\frac{\pi}{4}$ inches, and the average height is $5\frac{\pi}{4}$. They are held together by a circular ring, $2\frac{\pi}{4}$ in diameter, which is somewhat thicker and rugged at the place where the two ends are soldered together. A circular seal with tasselled borders is attached to the ring and was put on it before the ends of the ring were soldered together. The seal has in two lines the legend Sri-Jayavardhanadêvasya, which is enclosed by ernamental circles running round the bottom of the tassels. The ring was cut and resoldered by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya, who kindly took for me the impressions which are reproduced on the accompanying Plate. The copper-plates were found when Mr. Low was writing the *Chazetteer of the Bâlâghât District*, in which an extract from my translation has already appeared.

The language of the inscription is Sanskrit, written in characters belonging to the northern class of alphabets. The average size of the letters is about 1". They are budly formed and somewhat difficult to read. The first 20 lines of the inscription (excepting the opening words Om svasti Srivardhanapurat) and again lines 35 to 45 are in verse. The rost is Sanskrit prose. Final forms of t occur in lines 1 and 38, and one of m in line 45. The letter b is not distinguished from v. A notable orthographical peculiarity occurs in lines 32 f. and 40 f., where we find mv written for m in tâmvra and kamvals. On the other hand b is omitted in kutumina (1.24) for kutumbinah, but regularly expressed by v in dalâmvu (1.41). The letters with a rêpha at the top sometimes assume a very peculiar shape such as in sarva (1.25) and varsha (1.37). At other places they have the usual form, as in sarva (1.29). There is also a tendency to change the final forms of 1 asals into anusvara in contravention of the accepted grammatical rules, as in pramukhâm (1.24) and purushâm (1.25). The ka of kamvala in line 40 f. has a peculiar form and differs from ether kas occurring in the inscription.

¹ The word pratasta is here evidently used in the same sense as prafasti.

The object of the inscription is to record the grant of the village Khaddika in the Katôraka district (l. 23) to a temple of the Sun-god at Chattullina (l. 29 f.) by king Jayavardhana II. It was issued from Srivardhanapura (l. l) and is dated in the 3rd year of his reign on the 30th day of the month Karttika (ll. 46 and 31). Judging from the writing it may be assigned to the eighth century A.D.; the characters very much resemble those of the Paithan plates of Govinda III. dated in the year 794 A.D.1 Jayavardhana II. is described in lines 20-22 as a devotee of Mahesvara, the lord of the whole Vindhya, and Maharajadhiraja Paramiśvara. He bolonged to the Sailavamsa (verse 1). His grandfather. who bore the same name as himself, killed the former king of the Vindnya and made the Vindhya his residence (v. 3). The son of Jayavardhana I. and father of the donor was Śrivardhana II., who styled himself Vindhyeśvara (v. 4), and who may have founded Śrivardhanapura from which the present charter was issued. Five more ancestors of this line are mentioned, the first of whom was Srivardhana I. His son was Prithuvardhana, who is stated to have attacked Gujarat (v. 1). In his family was born Sauvardhana (v. 2), one of whose three sons killed the king of Paundra' (Bengal and Bihar), while another conquered the king of Kasi (Benares). Of this latter, whose name is not mentioned, Jayavardhana I. Was the son (v. 3).

The first verse of this charter opens with an obscure epithet to Śrîvardhana I. who is called Kailas-achala-tunga-sringa-vipula-dronija-vamsa-prabhuh, which apparently means 'the lord of the family of her who was born in the great valley of the lofty peaks of the Kailâsa mountain.' It is very difficult to hit at the true import of this expression, and the only conjecture I can hazard is that it may mean the Gangavamsa, of which the Sailavamsa was probably a branch or a more well known name at that time. Otherwise it is difficult to see why in the same verse the same person should be called the lord or ornament of two families. If my conjecture is correct, the force of prakhyātô bhuvi (famous or known on the earth) preceding Sailavamsa-tilakah would be apparent. The Sailavamsa is very probably identical with the Śailodbhavas or Śilodbhavas of Orissa, to which Prof. Hultzsch has kindly drawn my attention. In the plates of the time of Śaśankaraja,3 a foundatory chief Madhavaraja II., who issued the charter, is spoken of as belonging to the Silodbhava family, which is identical with the Sailedbhava of the Buguda plates of Madhavavarmans as pointed out there. The former is dated in the year 619-20 A.D. and is the older of the two. Both were found in the Ganjam district, and both the charters were issued from Kongeda or Kaingoda, which is identified by Prof. Kielhorn with the Kong-u-t'ob of the Chinese traveller Hinon Tsiang, who visited the place in the year 639 A.D.6 This principality was included in the Kalinga country or, roughly speaking, Orissa. In fact the village granted by Madhavaraja II. was situated in the district of Krishnagiri, a synonym of Nilagiri which is a name of Jagannatha (Purl) in Orissa.7 And it is well known that Orissa is the country where the Gangavamsa originated. King Indravarman of Kalinganagara is spoken of as the 'establisher of the spotless family of the Gangas,'8 an epithet which does not occur in other grants of the Gangas of Kalinga. So he was a perpetuator of a dynasty with a new name, which probably he introduced in preference to an old one which was not very complimentary. The new name is a metronymic; so we may suppose that the one suppressed was a patronymic. The Buguda inscription tells us how one Pulindasêna worshipped Brahmâ in order to create a fit ruler for the land, and how the god granted his wish by creating out of a rock the lord Sailodbhava, who became the founder of the family of that name. However complimentary the story may have been in the beginning, it could not have failed later on to appear somewhat analogous to the alleged origin of low

Above, Vol. 111, p. 105 ff.

¹ Above, Vol. Vi. p. 144.

Above, Vol. VI. p. 136.

⁷ Above, Vol. V1. p. 144.

² Wilson's Vishna-Purdna, Vol. II. p. 170, note 5.

⁴ Above, Vol. III. p. 42.

Cunningham's Ancient Geography, p. 515.

Above, Vol. III. p. 127.

castes, which trace their origin to some such inanimate objects as scarecrows, dirt from Mahadéva's body, or the sweat of his brow. In fact the aboriginal Gonds aver that their leader Lingo liberated the first men of the tribe from a cave in the Iron valley in the Red hill by removing a stone 16 cubits high with which Mahadeva had closed the mouth of the cave, and out came 16 scores of Gonds at once.1 The Sailodbhava origin would thus appear something like an improvement on this story. Recognising the tendency, which has always existed and still exists, to adopt eponymous names under the influence of what Sir Alfred Lyall calls the gradual Brahmanising of castes, it would not be surprising to find a family with a dubious patronymic insinuating a non-Bråhmanical origin, preferring a metronymic connected with so holy a deity as the Ganges, in spite of the Kshatriya mode of calling themselves after the male parent. It will then be asked why in the present graut the Sailavaméa was at all mentioned, to which an answer may be found in the fact that there are always three classes of people: the conservatives or those who would stick to the old things only, the moderates who would tolerate both the new and the old, and the extremists who would wholly discard the old, and probably the donor of the present grant belonged to the second class. All this is, however, extremely hypothetical, and I only hazard it in the hope that a better explanation may be forthcoming. By the way I may mention that it was the Gangavamen kings of Orissa who revived Sun-worship and built many temples dedicated to that deity; and again most of the officials, such as sandhartri and sannidhatri (1. 24), are those chiefly found in the grants of Orissa kings. These are other items in support of the donor's family connection with Orissa.

With regard to the places mentioned in the grant, I identify Khaddika with Khadi, a village three miles north-east of Ragholi where the plates were found. It is only a Sanskritised name like Lafijikas for Lanji, which is also not vory far away from this place. Kateraka is probably the present Katera near Katangi, 60 miles west of Ragholi. I cannot identify Chattullina, unless it is a mistake for Raghullina or Raghuli, where the plates have been found. With the elision of a little stroke in the first letter, and giving a slightly slanting position to the second, the word would read as Raghulliha. This may find support from the fact that the engraving of the grant is very defective, and that several other mistakes have been committed in lines 33, 40, 44, etc. I cannot find in the Central Provinces a place answering to Srivardhanapura. It could not be Srivardhana in the Bombay Presidency, the famous seaport referred to by European travellers as Ziffardan and celebrated as the birth-place of the first Peshwa.4 From what has been stated above, the family would seem to have come from a scaport in the east rather than from the west. But the place must be searched for nearer home, and it may be that it is now non-existent. The probability is that it was situated somewhere near Râmtek in the Nagpur district. Five miles from this place there is a village called Nagardhan which was known as Nandivardhana' in olden times, and local traditions assert that the surrounding country was ruled from that place by Kshatriya Råjas.6 The village contains ancient remains and is mentioned as the name of a district together with Nagpur in the Deoli plates of the Råshtrakûta king Krishpa III. dated in the year 940 A.D.? It is plain therefore that

¹ Cunningham's Reports, Vol. IX. p. 158.

² See Hunter's Grissa, Vol. I. p. 279 f. Dr. Hunter says:—"At a remote period, Sun-worship, driven out of Védic India by materializing superstitions, found shelter on the secluded Eastern coast. Its existence in Orissa in ancient times is proved not only by the fact of a specific division of the country being devoted to it, but also by the rock writings The most exquisite memorial of Sun-worship in India, or I believe in any country, is the temple of Konarak upon the Orissa shore."

In the Batanpur inscription of Jajalladeva, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 33.

Bombay Gazettee., Vol. XI. p. 467.

Mr. Craddock's Settlement Report, 1895, p. 15.

[•] It may be borne in mind that this part of the country was for a long time under Gonds and afterwards the Marathas, and as a rule the memory of these only survives.

^{*} Above, Vol. V. p. 196 f.

Nandivardhana must have been a place of great importance before it gave its name to the district. I hold that this was founded by a successor of Jayavardhana II. who removed the capital from Śrivardhanapura, also named after a king of the same line, to the place to which he gave his own name. The Rāshṭrakūṭas rose in power on this side in the eighth century, and it is probably they who displaced the Śailavaińśa dynasty of the Vindhya mountains. Nandivardhana or Nagardhana is about 100 miles from Ragholi, and both were included in the same district about a century ago. It may also be stated that, so far as I have been able to find, there are no other villages ending in vardhana in Bālāghāt or any of the surrounding districts, and the name is so peculiarly different from those of other villages in the locality that it may almost be called unique; for these reasons the location of Śrivardhanapura round about Nandivardhana or Rāmtek carries at least a certain probability with it.

TEXT.2

Seal.

- 1 श्रीजयव-
- 2 र्जनदेवस्य [॥*]

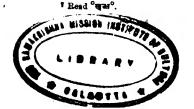
First Plate.

- 1 भी खस्ति श्रीवर्षनपुरात् [॥*] व्रेतेलासाचलतुङ्गगृङ्ग-
- 2 विपुलद्रोणोजयेशप्रभुः प्रख्यातो भुवि ग्रीलवं-
- 3 श्रतिलकः श्री — वर्षनी यो नृपः । तत्पुत्रः पृथ्व-
- 4 र्हनो निजभुजव्याक्षष्टखङ्ग[:] सुया देशं गौर्ज्जरमास-
- 5 साद सहसा विक्रान्तिभियँस्तत: ॥ [१*] तहंग्रप्रभवो
- 6 व्यनीजनदसं सीवर्षनी भूपतिभ्चकक-
- 7 मलक्षविक्रमयगः पुत्रत्रयं खीरसं । ते-
- 8 "वासुर्क्जितवैरिदारणपटुं पीगकाधिषं स्त्राप-
- 9 तिं इत्वैको विषयं तमेव सकलं ज्ञाह भी-
- 10 र्यान्वित: ॥ [२*] ताभ्यामन्यतमो विष्ठत्य सप्तसा ट-
- 11 पींडतं दावणं काणिं काणिनराधिपं सित-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 12 गुणी जग्राइ जेता दियां। तत्प्ची जयवर्द्धने-
- 13 ति वचसा खाती वरो भूसतां विस्थे विस्थानरेगमेव

Bead 'Hand'.



¹ It is noticeable that all namer of this line end in vardhana.

² From the original plates. I am indebted to Pr f. Hultzsch for a few corrections in my readings.

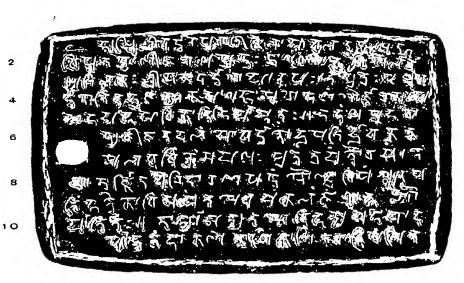
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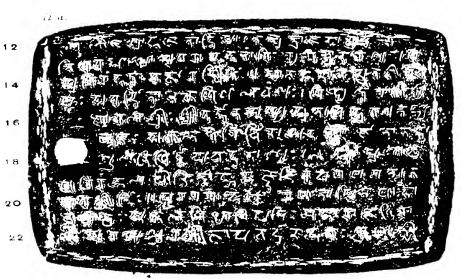
[·] Read ंजवंश.

⁵ There are two letters here which appear to have been struck off by the engraver. The metre also shows that they were redundant.

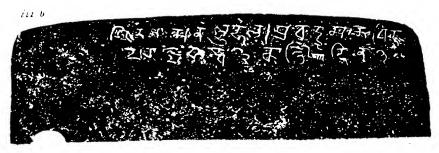
⁶ Read TTI.











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- सचिरं इला चकार खितिं॥ [१*] 'मातकदानचतदीनचे-
- ष्ट्र: 'सवर्षितानेकविशासवंश: । विश्येखरी विश्य 15
- इवाचस्त्रे : श्रीवर्षनस्तरः सुतो वभूवं ॥ [४*] 'तस्त्रा-
- वाज: सक्तलवैश्विनाग्रदची जाती मडा-17
- गणनिधिक्रयवर्षनाच्यः । सन्त्रीप्रगाठ-18
- परिरंभणपीडिताइं दृष्ट्वा दिवं यमगमत्त्रक-
- षेव कीर्त्ति: ॥ [५ में] परममाई करी मातापिद्धपादा-20
- नध्यातः सक्तलविध्याधिपतिः महाराजाधिरा-21
- जपरमेखरश्रीजयवर्षनदेवः क्रमली 22

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 23 कटेरकविषयीयखद्कायां वाद्माणा[न्*] संपूच्य प्रति-
- वासिनीन्यांच कुटुमिन (1) सुमाइद्वेसिबिधाद्यमसुखां
- यथाकालाध्यासिनः सर्वराजपुरुषां विषयपती-25
- च समाज्ञीपयति [॥*] विदितमस्त भवता ययाच्याभिर-26
- यं ग्रामः सनिधिः सोपनिधिः सब्वैकराटान-27
- समेतः प्रतिविश्वचाटभटप्रविशः सद्याः 28
- पराधः सर्व्यपीडाविवर्क्तितः चट्टक्रिइप्रतिष्ठि-29
- तत्रीमदादित्यभद्दारकाय प्रिष्ठानिविज्ञितिकया 80
- ¹ºकात्तिकामदकपूर्वमाचन्द्राक्षेत्रहसमकालोप-31
- भीगार्थ मातापिचोरालन्य पुर्श्वाभिवृद्ये ता-32
- 11 स्त्रशासनेन प्रतिपादित इत्यवगत12 समुचितभी-83

Third Plate: First Side.

- B4 गभागादिकां भक्ता¹³ सुखं वस्तव्यं ॥ तया चीक्रं धर्मा-
- ¹⁴वड्डभिर्व्वसंघा दत्ता राजभिः सगरादि-
- यस्य यदा भूमिस्तस्य तस्य तदा फसं ॥ [६*]
- षष्टिं वर्षसङ्खाणि स्वर्णे मोदति भूमिदः । पा-

- * Metre: Vasantatilaks. The simile here is विश्वसतिकारिका; compare श्रीनियीगाइदितुमिव गतित्वव्यक्षि यस कौति:
- . Sahityapro kasa, 7th ullden, 618ka 341. For this parallel quotation I am indebted to Pandit Hirananda
- Read बाह्यचान.
- Bead ब्रद्धाना:
 - 10 Read withau. Bead Hant.

Bead पुरवाण्. 1 Read ताब°.

13 Read THITTHE.

ा Read प्रस्चान् Bead 可奪[.

4 Read WW.

¹ Metre: Indravajra.

² Read संवर्षिताo.

^{*} Read WHW.

- 38 च्छेना चानुतन्ता च तान्येव नरके वसेत् ॥ [७*] सद-
- 39 त्तां परदता^३ वा यो **इ**रेत वसुश्वरां । स विष्ठा-
- 40 यां क्रिमेंभूता पितृ भि: सह पचते ॥ [८ च दित क-
- 41 'म्बलदताम्बुविन्दुलोलां त्रियमनुचिन्स मनुच-
- 43 जीवितं च सक्तसमिदसुदाञ्चतं च वुध्वा न हि पुर-
- 43 बै: परकीर्सयो विलोप्याः ॥ [८*] श्रीश्रीवर्दनदेव-
- 44 स्य पाद[पद्मोप]जीविना' । श्रीमद्याचण्डपासेन सि-

Third Plate; Second Side.

- 45 खितं शासनं शासन् । [१०*] प्रवर्षमानविज-
- 46 यराज्ये सन्ध ३ कात्ति[कि ?] दिन ३० [॥*]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Om. Hail! From Srlvardhanapura.

- (Verse 1.) (There was) king Srivardhana (L.), the lord of the family of her⁹ who was born in the great valley of the lofty peaks of the Kailasa mountain, (and) famous on (this) earth (as) the ornament of the Sailavamsa. His son Prithuvardhana, formerly having drawn the sword with his own arm, at once overcame the Gaurjara country by (his various) attacks.
- (V. 2.) King Sauvardhana, who was born in his family, begat three sons of his own, who in due course acquired the glory of heroism on the circle of the earth. One of them, possessing valour, having killed the Paundra king who was skilled in rending up (his) powerful enemies, took the whole of that country.
- (V. 3.) The third of them, 10 of white (i.e. pure) character, the vanquisher of foes, having forcibly killed the self-conceited (and) cruel king of the Käsis, took Käsi (from him). His son, known by the name of Jayavardhana (I.), the best of kings, having killed the lord of the Vindhya, took up his residence in the Vindhya for a long time.
 - (V. 4.) His son was Srivardhana (II.), the lord of the Vindhya, who possessed immovable (permanent) wealth like the immovable Vindhya mountain itself, who banished poverty by gifts of elephants, (and) who augmented the prosperity of various (other) big families.
- (V. 5.) His son, skilled in destroying all (his) enemies (and) a treasury of great virtues, was called Jayavardhana (II.). The goddess of Wealth so closely embraced him that the goddess of Fame, as if (jealous of her cowife), out of anger ascended to the heavens. 11

¹ Read चानुसना.

Read परदर्शा.

Bead sissis.

[·] Read कामलदखाव्यविन्द

Bead offered.

⁶ Read STI.

⁷ The words in brackets are very common in inscriptions; see e.g. Ind. Ant. Vol. IV. p. 210, note 8.

^{*} The words in brackets are very common in inscriptions; see e.g., 180. 285. 401. 11. F. 200 201.

I take drontja-vames to stand for drontja-vames in accordance with Pan. VI. 3. 68, and to mean the Gand-vames.

¹⁰ Literally, 'another than the two.'

The idea is that he was very wealthy, and that his fame reached up to the heavens.

(L. 20.) The devout worshipper of Mahésvara (Śiva), who meditated on the feet of his parents, the lord of the whole Vindhya, the Mahárájádhirája Paramésvara, the illustricus Jayavardhanadéva, being in good health, having worshipped the Brâhmanas in (the village) Khaddikā in the district (vishaya) of Katéraka, issues a command to the inhabitants and other householders (as well as) revenue collectors, receivers of public property and so forth, as they are appointed from time to time, (and) to all state officers and provincial governors.

(L. 26.) "Let it be known to you that this village is given by Us, with hidden treasures (and) deposits, together with (the right of) taking all the dues, with the prohibition for the regular or irregular forces to enter (the village), with (the fines leviable on) the ten offences, free from all troubles, to (the temple of) the holy Aditya-bhatṭāraka (i.e. the Sun-god) set up at Chaṭṭulliha, at the request of the residence (vis. Śrîvardhanapura, l. 1), on the Kārttiki (tithi), with libations of water, to be enjoyed as long as the moon, the sun and the planets endure, for the purpose of increasing the religious merit of (Our) parents and of Ourself, by (this) copper-plate charter. Knowing this, let (all) live happily, enjoying (their) due portion of rights, etc. And it is thus enjoined in the Dharmasástra:"—

[Here follow four of the customary imprecatory verses.]

(V. 10.) (This) auspicious charter was written by the illustrious Mahachandapala, who subsisted on the lotus-feet of the illustrious Śrivardhanadêva.

(L. 45.) The year 3 of the augmenting and victorious reign, the 30th day of Karttika.

No. 6.—MALIYAPUNDI GRANT OF AMMARAJA II.

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This interesting record of the Eastern Châlukya dynasty was first published in 1905 by Messrs. A. Butterworth and V. Venugopal Chetti in their Nellore District Inscriptions, p. 164 ff., with seven photographic Plates. The original copper-plates had been "discovered by Mr. Venugopal Chetti in the Râmalingêśvarasvâmi temple at Madanûr, a village about 10 miles from Ongole, Nellore district." I re-edit the inscription from ink-impressions supplied by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya, to whom the original plates were kindly forwarded at my request by Mr. Butterworth, and who contributes the following remarks on them:—

"These are five copper-plates, measuring $9\frac{1}{2}$ " by about $4\frac{1}{16}$ ". The first and last plates bear writing only on their inner side and have raised rims about $\frac{1}{16}$ " high only on their engraved side. The three remaining plates, which bear writing on both sides, have rims of the same height projecting on both sides. Through holes $(\frac{1}{8})$ " in diameter), bered on the left margin of each plate, is passed a circular ring, which appears to have been cut and re-soldered before the plates came into my hands. The ring measures $5\frac{1}{8}$ " in diameter and is a little more than $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick. Its ends, which are slightly thinner, are secured in the upper part of an expanded letus flewer of eight petals. To the lower part of the same letus, which is fashioned into a rim-like projection, is soldered a circular seal, which measures $2\frac{1}{8}$ " in diameter and is nearly $\frac{3}{8}$ " thick. It bears, in relief on a countersunk surface, the legend Sri-Tribhuvandihku[sa] in the centre, in characters similar to those of the inscription. Below

The high rims a emesponsible for the fact that some symbols at the beginning and the end of lines have not

come out well in the ink-impressions."

¹ These were probably kining (murder), theft, wrong action (adultery), slander, harsh language, untruthfulness, incoherent conversion uncivility, atheism and perverse behaviour, enumerated as datatha papakarma in the Sukrantti, adhyaya 3. 3/6/.a 6.

the legend is an expanded lotus flower, and above it a running (?) boar facing the proper left. In front of the boar is an elephant goad, and behind its tail a crescent."

The alphabet is of the same Telugu type as in other grants of the same dynasty and period. No distinction is made between secondary \hat{v} and au, and secondary \hat{t} and \hat{u} is often written as i and u. Final k occurs in line 32, t in 11. 8, 30 and 51, n in 11. 10, 18, 24, 37, 39, 52, and n in 11. 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 51, 54, 55 and 60. The *jihvāmāliya* is used in 11. 42, 51, and the *upadhmāniya* in 11. 10, 41, 43, 46 and 51.

The following orthographical irregularities deserve to be noted. Against one of Pâṇini's rules (VIII. 4, 49) the showvarsha is doubled in Il. 8 and 11, but not in Il. 13, 18, 25 and 40. Some spellings are due to the Telugu pronunciation. Thus we find yêtad (1.57) for êtad, yuttara (Il. 54 f. and 57, but not in I. 59) for uttara, rakshanûyayiva (1.47 f.) for rakshanûyaziva, aruha (1.50) for arha, krishta (1.39) for krishna. Dontal n is employed instead of lingual n in Kiranapuram and krishna (1.43), punya (Il. 49, 50), âbharana (Il. 49, 53), ganêsa (1.50), yuttarûyana (1.54 f.). The vowel ri is replaced by ri in krishna (1.43), sadrisô (1.52) and kritvâ (1.56). The palatal sibilant is improperly used in samha (1.50) for samgha and sadrisô (1.52) for sadrisô.

The language is Sanskrit prose, interspersed with 20 Sanskrit verses. In Il. 56-60 some names of villages, tanks and fields appear in their Telugu forms. At the end of the record the usual imprecatory verses and the names of the Ajñapti, composer and writer are missing.

As the inscription records a grant to a Jaina temple, it opens with an invocation of the Jaina religion (v. 1). Ll. 3-41 contain the genealogy of the Eastern Châlukya dynasty down to Samastabhuvandśraya Vijayâditya (VI.) or Ammarâja (II.), the date of whose coronation is given in the same two verses (13 f.) as in his Paḍaṅkalūru grant. The genealogical portion contains two passages of historical importance, the first (ll. 13-16) describing the reign of Vijayâditya III., and the second (ll. 22-32) the accession of Châlukya-Bhîma II.

The Pithapuram inscription of Mallapadeva reports that Vijayaditya III. slew Mangiraja, burnt Chakrakûta, terrified Sankila, residing in Kiranapura and joined by Krishna, restored his dignity to Vallabhêndra, and received elephants as tribute from the king of Kalinga. The slaying of Mangi is referred to also in three other inscriptions.3 The second of them adds the burning of Kiranapura, and the third states that the king, having terrified Krishna and Sankila, completely burnt their city. Hitherto we did not know who Mangi and Sankila were. Verse 3 of the Maliyapûudi grant calls the former 'the king of the great Nodamba-rashtra' and the second 'the lord of the excellent Pa[ha]la.' Thus Mangi seems to have been one of the Pallavas of Nolambavadit and Sankila an early chief of Dahala (or Chedi). While two of the abovementioned inscriptions couple the name of Sankila with that of Krishna, the Maliyapûndi grant (v. 3) states that Sankila was 'joined by the fierce Vallabha.' The Nellore District Inscriptions (p. 169, note 5) correctly conclude from this that Sankila's ally Krishna was a Vallabha, i.e. a Rishtrakûța. Hence my former identification of this Krishna with the Paramara king Krishnarajas must be wrong, and he may be identified, as was done by Dr. Floet, with the Råshtrakûta king Krishna II. The latter is known to have been connected with the Chêdi family, being the son-in-law of Kokkalla (I.) and the brother-in-law of Sankuka.7 I feel no hesitation in identifying Sankila of Dahala with Sankuka (or Sankaragana) of Chêdi, the son of Kokkalla I., but am unable to identify Kiranapura, where Sankila resided according to the

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 16. Ll. 23-34 of this grant are identical with 11. 32-41 of the Maliyapûndi grant.

² Above, Vol. IV. p. 239 f.

Above, Vol. V. p. 126, verse 5; Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 213, text line 16 f.; South-Ind. Inser. Vol. I. p. 42, verse 10 (compare above, Vol. IV. p. 226 and notes 7 and 8).

⁴ Dyn. Kan. Distr. p. 932 f.

⁵ Above, Vol. IV. p. 227.

Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 102.
Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 263.

Pithâpuram inscription and Krishnarâja according to the Maliyapândi grant (v. 15). In two grants the burning of this Kiranapura, the residence of Krishna and Saâkila, is attributed to Vijayâditya III. himself. Verse 15 of the Maliyapândi grant informs us that this feat was in cality performed by a military officer named Pândarañga. It is perhaps worth noting that another Râshtrakûta prince named Krishnarâja is mentioned in a grant of A.D. 888, Between he slaying of Maŭgi and the victory over Sañkila the Maliyapândi grant mentions that Vijaçâditya III. defeated the Gañgas who took refuge on the peak of Gañgakûta. As suggested in the Nellore District Inscriptions (p. 169, note 3), this statement may or may not be a mere variant of one in the Pithâpuram inscription, according to which the king burnt Chakrakûta. He is elsewhere said to have defeated the unequalled Gañgas. Finally the new grant reports hat Vijayâditya III. bore the surname Parachakrarâma (l. 14).

The Maliyapûndi grant gives a vivid description of the struggles that took place after the leath of Vikramāditya II. Five years passed in continual wars between the rival claimants, mong whom Yuddhamalla, Rājamārtanda and Kanthikā-Vijayaditya are mentioned by ame. Then Rājabhīma (or Chālukya-Bhīma II.) succeeded in restoring order by slaying tājamārtanda, defeating and banishing Kanthikā-Vijayāditya and Yuddhamalla, and killing nany other rebels. Yuddhamalla (II.) is the son of Tāla, to whom one grant of Chālukya-Bhīma II. attributes a reign of seven years, while two other grants, like the Maliyapūndi rant, take no official notice of his reign. Rājamartanda is perhaps the same as Rājamayya in he Kaluchumbaggu grant, and he is mentioned also in the Kolavennu plates. In editing hese plates I committed a mistake, which has been endorsed by Dr. Fleet¹⁰ and Prof. Kielhorn, taking Rājamārtanda as a surname of Chālukya-Bhīma II. As stated in the Nellore District ascriptions (p. 170, note 4), the Maliyapūndi grant now shows that Rājamārtanda was a distinct erson. Dr. Fleet has already noticed that II. 17-19 of the Kolavennu plates contain a verse, the first half of which I would now, with the help of his remarks, correct as follows:—

यस्तातिबकानाच्यं धधीदं मित्रिधिवराजमार्त्तगढी [ा*]

Thus the verse mentions four enemies of Châlnkya-Bhîma II.:—Tâtabikyana, Dhaladi (or halaga), Munnigiva and Râjamârtanda. Kanthika-Vijnyaditya, whom the king banished ong with Yuddhamalla II., is undoubtedly the same as Kanthikâ-Bêta or Vijnyâditya V., the on of Amma I. and the ancestor of the Eastern Châlukyas of Pithâpuram.¹³

The subjoined grant was made at a winter solstice (ultardyana, 1.54 f.). The dense was temple of Jina (Jindlaya) in the south of Dharmapuri (v. 17), which was in charge of a riest of the Yāpaniya-sampha¹⁴ (v. 18). It had been founded by the Katakardja (l. 54) urgarāja (v. 16) and was named Kaṭakābharaṇa-Jinālaya (v. 17 and l. 53), evidently after surname of the founder. At his request (l. 54) the grant was made, and the grant portion cans with a pedigree of his family. His ancestor Pāṇḍaraṅga is stated to have burnt iraṇapura, the residence of Kṛishṇarāja (v. 15), and accordingly must have been a military ficer of Vijayāditya HI. His son Niravadyadhavala was appointed Kaṭakardja (l. 44 f.). is son was the Kaṭakādhipati Vijayaditya (l. 45 f.), and his son was Durgarāja (v. 16).

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1 Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 212, text line 17.
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South-Ind. Inser. Vol. ', p. 42, verse 10 (compare above, Vol. IV. p. 226 and note 7).

^{*} Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 66. * Compare above, Vol. IV p. 227.

South-Ind. Inser, Vol. 1, p. 42, verse 10.
 Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII, p. 214, text line 31.

⁷ South-Ind. Inser. V. I. p. 14; above, Vol. V. p. 138, note 3.

Above, Vol. VII. p. 181. South-Ind. Inser. Vol. I. p. 46 and note 1.

¹⁰ Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 259, and above, Vol. VII. p. 182

¹¹ Lists of Southern Inser. No. 562. 12 Above, Vol. VII. p. 181 f.

¹⁰ Above, Vol. IV. p. 227. 14 Compare ibid, p. 338 f.

¹⁶ See notes 1 and 2 above.

Pāṇḍarāṅga (the Pāṇḍaraṅga of v. 15) is mentioned as Ajñapti in a grant of Vijayāditya III. The title Kaṭakarāja or Kaṭakādhipati, i.e. 'superintendent of the royal camp,' which was borne by his three lineal descendants, seems to be peculiar to the court of the Eastern Chālukya kings. Dr. Fleet remarked that the grants of Amma I. and Amma II. mention Kaṭakarāja, Kaṭakēša and Kaṭakādhiša as Ajñapti, and came to the conclusion that these two words were not proper names, but mere titles. The Maliyapūnḍi grant now shows that in each case they refer to one of the three direct descendants of Pāṇḍaraṅga, who bore that title, vis. Niravadyadhavala, Vijayāditya and Durgarāja. It seems preferable to take also Kaḍeyarāja in the grant of Chālukya-Bhīma I.³ as a vulgar form of Kaṭakarāja, the title of Vijayāditya, and not as a proper name.

The object of the grant was the small village (grāmatikā) of Maliyapûndi (l. 55) in the district (vishaya) of Kamma-nāndu (l. 42). Its boundaries are given in l. 56 f. The northern boundary, Dharmavuramu, is the Tolugu form of Dharmapurî, to the south of which the Jimilaya was situated (v. 17). According to the Nellore District Inscriptions (p. 174, note) both Dharmapuram and the western boundary, Kalvakuru, are now in the Addanki division of the Ongole tâluka. Of two inscriptions at Dharmavaram (p. 966 ff. of the same work) the first mentions Gunakenalla (Vijayâditya III.), Pândaranga, the burning of Kiranapura, and Dharmavuram. An inscription at Addanki (p. 896 f. of the same work) also refers to Pândaranga and Dharmavuram. Maliyapûndi itself, the village granted, does not exist any more at present (ibid. p. 167), but its former position is fixed by the identification of two of its boundaries. The district of Kamma-nându, to which it belonged, is identical with the Kamma-râshtra or Kammâka-râshtra of other inscriptions. To my former remarks on this geographical named may be added that it occurs as Kammâka-ratha in the Jaggayyapêta inscriptions of Purisadata. This Prâkrit form renders my suggestion that Kammaika may be meant for Kammāka-nandu, to the latter would have become in Prâkrit Kammaika, and not Kammāka.

TEXT.7

First Plate.

- 1 🖶 भट्रं स्याच्चिजगबुताय सततं श्रीमिक्जनेन्द्रप्रभोवहामाततथासन[ा]-
- 2 य विनसन्नमीवलंबाय च । सामत्र्यात्र्वनु यस्य दुष्किनिकता दोषाच मिल्याङ्गव[ा] (।) दु-
- 3 व्यृत्तानि च भूति न वितता शान्तिय नित्यं चिति[:*]॥ [१*] → छाँछा श्रीमतां सकलभुवनसं-²
- 4 स्तूयमानमानव्यसगोत्राणां हारितिपुत्राणां कौिशिकवरप्रसादसम्बरा-
- 5 ज्यानासातुग[ण्*]परिपालितानां स्नामिमज्ञासेनपादानुध्यायिनाम् भगवः
- 6 बारायणप्रसादममासादितवरवराञ्चलांच्छनेचणचणविश्वकतारातिमण्ड[सा]-10

¹ Above, Vol. V. p. 125, verse 9.

² Above, Vol. VII. p. 184 f.

³ Above, Vol. V. p. 130.

⁴ Above, Vol. VIII. p. 238.

⁵ See Bhagwanlal Indraji's transcript in Notes on the Amaravati Stupa, p. 56, and Bühler's transcripts in the Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 258 f. and in Amaravati and Jaggayyapeta, p. 110 (compare Plate Ixii. f.).

⁶ Above, Vol. VIII. p. 284.

¹ From two sets of ink-impressions.

Read भिल्योड वा.

[&]quot;The anusvdra stands at the beginning of the next line.

W Read 'वशीकता'.

- 7 नामसमेधावध्यक्षानपविचीकतवपुषाम् चानुकाानां कुलमलंकरिक्योसात्या[म्र]-
- 8 यवक्कभेन्द्रस्य भाता कुझविषाुवर्षेनोष्ट[ा*]द्य वर्ष्वाणि वंगिमण्डलमपालयत् । तदाल-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 9 जो अव्यक्षिष्ठस्त्रयस्त्रिंगतम् । तदनुजेन्द्रराजनन्दनी विष्णुवर्रनी नव । तस्तू-नुर्मागियुवराज-
- 10 ⊠पंचिवंग्रतिन्त्र पुत्रो जयसिंहस्त्रयोदग्र । तदवरज[:*] कोक्किलिष्यसमासान् । तस्य च्येष्ठो भ्राप्ता
- 11 विष्णुवर्षन[स्त]मुश्चाव्य [स]प्तषिंग्रतम् (۱) वर्ष्णाणि [1*] तत्पुत्री विजया-दित्यभद्द[1*]रकोष्टादम । तत्तुती
- 12 विश्ववर्षनष्वद्विमतम् । नरेन्द्रमृगराजास्थो सृगराजपराक्रम: [1*] विजयादित्य-
- 13 भूपाल: चलारिंशसमाष्ट्रभि: [॥ २*] तत्पुच: कलिविणुवर्षकोध्यर्षवर्षे । त-
- 14 त्युच: परचक्ररामापरनामधेय: [।*] इत्वा ⁶भूरिनोदंबराष्ट्रनृपतिं मंगिनाचा-संग-
- 15 र' गंगानाश्चीतगंगकुटशिखराविर्ष्णित्य 'सर्ड[ा]लाधीयं संकित्तसुपवक्रभयुतं यो भ[र]-
- 16 यियता चतुस्रतारिंग्रतमस्दकांस विजयादित्यो ररच चिति । [३*] तदनुष्ण स्थ-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 17 योवराज्यस्य विक्रमादित्यस्य सुतसातुक्यभिमस्त्रियतं [।*] तस्यायजो विजयादित्यः
- 18 वणमासान् [।*] तदग्रसूनुरमाराजसात वर्षाणि । तत्स्नुमाक्रम्य वालं चालकाभिमपि-⁹
- 19 तुष्ययुष्ठमञ्जस्य नन्दनस्तालनृषी मासमेकं । नानासामन्तवरगैरिधकवल-यतैन्य-10
- 20 त्तमातंगसेनी" हाला तं ताखराजं विषमरणमुखे सार्वमत्युगते-
- 21 जा: [i*] एकाप्टं सम्यगंभीनिधिवलयहतामन्वरचहरित्रिं श्रीमान्वालुका-

¹ Read Ouyet.

Read वर्षाण.

a Read जयसिंह°.

Boad "fint auffe.

Bead पालयला°.

[·] Read 'नीडंव'.

⁷ Bead विश्व गेंगानाचि रांगकट°.

^{*} Read diverse; in contravention of the rules, the first half of the verse ends in the middle of a compound ord.

Bead भीम".

w Read "बस्रो" and "युत्तेमा".

¹¹ Read ⁰सेनैईरवा.

¹² Bead "वरिणी श्रीमां थारायाभीम"

- भिमचितिपतितनयो 22विक्रमादित्यभूप: । [४*] पश्चादहमहमिकया विक्र-मादिखास्त-
- म[य*]ने राज्यसा इव 23प्रजाबाधनपरा दायादराजपुत्रा राज्याभिला विको यडमजरा-
- 'जमात्तेण्डलकण्डिकाविजयादित्यप्रसतयो विग्रहिभूता^३ भासन् [।*] विग्र 24

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- 25 हिणेव पंच वर्षाणि गतानि [i*] तत: [i*] ³योवधिद्र[ा]जमार्र्सण्डन्तेष ां येन रणे क्रती [1*]
- ण्डिकाविजयादित्ययुद्धमन्नो⁴ विदेशगी । [4 *] प्रन्धे मान्यमहिभूतोषि बच्चवी दु-
- 27 प्टप्रहत्ताद्वता(:)' देशोपद्रवकारिण: प्रकटिता: कासासय⁸ प्रापिता: [1*] ⁹दोईंगडे वि-
- तमग्डलायलतया यस्योयसंयामकावाज्ञा¹⁰ तत्परभृतृषैय¹¹
- श्चिरमो मालेव सन्धार्थ्यते । [६*] नादग्वा¹² विनिवर्त्तते रिपुक्लं कोपाग्निरा 29 मुख-
- तः ग्रभ्नं य[स्य] यशो न लोकमखिलं सन्तिष्ठते न भ्रमत् [।*] द्रव्यां-30 भोधरराशिरप्यनुदिनं13
- सन्तप्यमाने भगं दारिद्रोगतरातपेन जनसंसस्ये न नो वर्षति । [७*] स 31 चालुकाभिमनप्ता वि-
- जयादित्यनन्दन[: ।*] हादशाव्यात्ममास्मम्यक् राजभिमो धरातलं । [८*] 32 तस्य मन्नेश्वरम्-

Third Plate ; Second Side.

- 33 ¹⁷त्तेनमासमानाक्षतेः क्तमाराभः । * वोकमाञ्चादेव्याः खलु यस्रमभवदमा (ग)-
- 34 11 [2*] जलजातपत्रचामरकल्यांक्रयलच्यां कि वे वे वे व्यापतलः जाख: लसटाजा-

18 Read GETO.

¹ As remarked in the Nellore District Inscriptions, p. 178, note 1, the ल after सार्चेख is superfluous; it was perhaps engraved because the writer had in his mind the frequent word HEE.

² Read विग्रहीभताः

³ Real यीवधीद्वा^o.

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⁶ The aksharas ¶ and द are engraved on an erasure.

⁷ Read ° इसी बता.

⁸ Read out. Read Elfers.

¹⁰ Read perhaps ° श्रांबासिकस्याजा

n Read "सूर्ययक proposed in the Nellore District Inscriptions, p. 178, note 6; य is engraved en an ensure

¹² Read नाइका.

¹⁸ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

u Read जनतासस्ये.

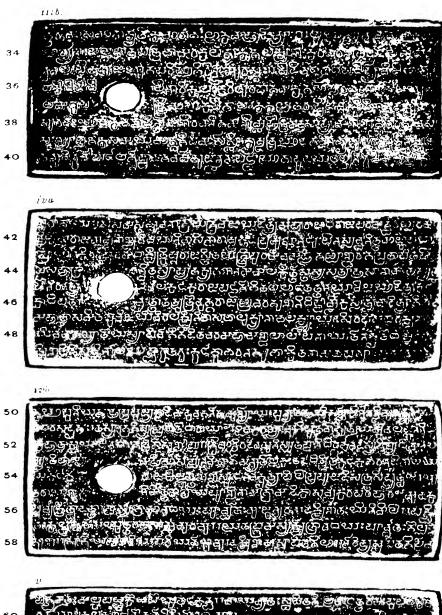
¹⁵ Read "Hille".

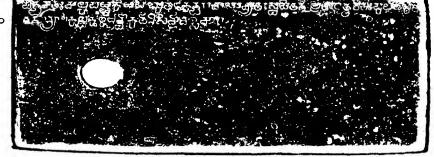
¹⁶ Read हाट्यावलामासाययाजभीमी. 17 Read °मर्सें°.

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- न्ववलंबितभुजयुगपरिघी गिरिन्द्रसानुरस्कः¹ विदितधराधिपविद्यी 11 [80*] विविधाय-
- धकोविदो ²विलिनारिकुल: [।*] करित्रगागमक्रथलो 36 इरचरणांभीजयुग-
- 37 लमधुपश्यीमान [884] कविगायककस्पतर्राहेजसुनिदिनास्यवस्रुजन-Ħ
- याचकगण्चिस्तामण्रिवनीशमणिर्माहोग्रमहसा **3**8 [1*] सर्भिः द्यमिण: [१२*] गिरिरसवसु-
- संख्याब्दे शकसमये मार्गशीर्षमासिस्मिन् [।*] 'कष्टत्रयोदशदिने 39 मैचनक्षे ॥ १३*।
- धन्षि रवी घटलग्ने दादशयर्षे तु जन्मनः 40 [1*] योधाददयगिरीन्द्रो पष्टं रविसिव लीका-

Fourth Plate ; First Side.

- स 'समस्तभवनात्रयत्रीविजायदित्यमद्वाराजाधिराजपरमे-न्रागाय ॥ [484] श्वर×परम[धा]-
- ⁶सिकोमाराजङ्गमानाण्ड्विषयनिवासिनो ⁷राष्ट्रकुटप्रसुखान्कुटुंबिनस्रर्व्व[ा*]नित्यमाज्ञा-42 पयति ।*]
- त्रार्था[:*] । "किरनपुरमधाचीत्किषुराजस्थितं" यस्त्रिपुरिमव ¹°महेश्र×पाग्ड-रंग[:*] प्रतापि" [।*] तदिष्ठ [म]-
- ¹²खसप्रायोरन्वितस्याप्यश्रक्य¹³ गणनममलकीत्तेस्तस्य¹⁴ सत्साप्तमामा¹⁵ 44 तस्य[ा*]त्म-
- जो निरवद्यधवल[:] कटकराजपद्दशोभितललाट:10 [i*] तत्तनयो दित्यक्ट-
- हंत्त¹⁷ । 46 काधिपति[:*] । तत्पुची खवादि । खागि भी गी
- महातमा समितिषु विजयि 20 विरल्क्सिनिवास: 21 [$_1$ *] चालुक्यानां च लच्न्या यदिमरपि सदा रचणा[य]-22

¹ Read गिरीन्दसान्रस्त:.

² Read विलीना⁰.

^{*} Read ेसुनिदीनास°.

[·] Read 南町.

[•] Read °विजयादिख°.

⁵ Read 'uf சுற்கி'

[『]Read 『東て°・

⁸ Read fargo.

⁹ Read [°]षाचीरक भरा नाभ्यत . as suggested in the Nellore District Inscriptions, p. 173, note 2.

¹⁰ Corrected from HEIF

¹¹ Read प्रतापी.

¹² Read "HE GE".

¹³ Read ⁰श्चाकां.

¹⁴ Read की तिं.

¹⁵ Read [©]मानाम.

¹⁷ Read वर्स.

¹⁶ The visa. 93 was at led subsequently. 18 Read दुकां°.

[&]quot; Read वादी स्थागी.

²⁰ Read विजयी वीरसकी⁰.

²¹ The visarga was added subsequently.

²² Road रचापाधेव.

- 48 यिव वंग्र[:*] ख्याती यस्यापि वेंगोगदितक्रमहामण्डलालंबनाय [१६*] तेन कतो धर्माप्र[रीद]-
- चिणदिशि सिकानालयसार्तर: [1*] कटकाभरनगुभांकितनाम 49 वसति ॥ १७*]

Fourth Plate; Second Side.

- पुर्या वहन न्दिगको जिननन्दिस्निश्वरो[घ] वा-
- [η]धरसद्गः । [१ ς^*] तस्याप्रीय्य \times प्रियतो ध(ा)रायाम् (।) दिव[ι^*]. 51स्निपंगवीभृत् [।*] यक्केवलक्त[ा*]ननिधि-कर[ा*]ख्यो
- मीकाता खयं जिनानां ग्रदिशी⁹ 52गुणीचे [824] श्रीमान्दिरदेवमुनिसा-11 तपोनिधिरभवदस्य शिष्य¹⁰ धीम[ा]न [।*] य-
- म्माति हार्य्यमहिमा 1 संप्रविमवाभिमन्यते ही का: 12 [॥ २० *] 18 तटि घटि सकटक[ा *]-53भरनजिनालय[1]-14
- कटकराज विज्ञप्तै¹⁵ खण्डस्फ्टनवक्तत्योपिलिप्रपुनादिसन्रसिद्धार्थम् (।) 54
- मिलयपूर्ण्डिनामग्रामटिका सव्यक्तरपरिष्ठार(म्)मुदक-55 त्तरायन निमित्ते
- क्रित्वा दत्ता । **भस्य ग्राम[स्य*]ावधयः प्रव्वेतः मंज्ञन्यर्**गः ॥ दत्तिण्तः 56 प**व्य**17 यिनि मिलि ॥ पर्षिमी-
- ॥ युत्तरत[:]10 धर्मावुरसु ॥ 20येतज्ञामस्य चेत्रावधयः पूर्वतः 57 तः कल्वक्रव गोक्रनि-
- भाग्नेयत[:] रावियपेरियचे ध्या । 58 गुएठ टचिणतः नैरिख" स्थ[ा*]पित्रियलैव [।*]

Fifth Plate.

- मक्कप्रध्न को धनोयुतट[ा]कच ॥ वायव्यतः स्थापित्रशिक्षेव । 59 द्व[चे]60व [1*]
- (i) कल्बकुरि एव्योकचेनि सिमैव²³ सीमा

¹ Read "भर्ष". The whole compound seems to be meant for कटकाभरणग्रभनामादित:, which would have offended against the metre.

² Read quilo. * Read शीयापनीयसंचप्रपञ्च⁰.

[•] Read विश्वण or perhaps, for the sake of the metre, विश्वण प्रदे.

Read yours and compare below, p. 56, note 2.

⁷ Read world.

⁸ Read भ्रा

[™] Read शिष्टी.

¹¹ Read यम्प्रतिष्ठार्थमिष्टना.

¹³ Read 'HERR'.

^{.14} Read ONTUO.

¹⁶ Read वनकत्याविकप्रपूजादिसक्रसिकार्यमुत्तरायण.

¹⁴ Or possibly मंजुन्ब्र.

¹⁸ Read चत्त्त:.

²¹ Read नैक्स्बा.

²² Read Quiret.

Read Hella.

⁹ Read सदमो गुजीचे:.

¹² Read ella:

¹⁵ Read earn?

¹⁷ Read पद्ध कला.

²⁰ Read Vao.

²⁸ Read सीमेव.

ABRIDGED TRANSLATION.

- Verse 1 invokes the religion (sasana) of the lord Jinendra.
- (Line 7.) Kubja-Vishņuvardhana (I.), the brother of Satyāśraya-Vallabhendra who adorned the family of the Châlukyas, ruled the Vêngi country (mandala) for eighteen years; his son Jayasimha (I.) for thirty-three; Vishņuvardhana (II.), the son of his younger brother Indrarāja, for nine; his son Mangi-yuvarāja for twenty-five; his son Jayasimha (II.) for thirteen; his younger brother Kokkili for six months; his eldest brother Vishņuvardhana (III.), having expelled him, for thirty-seven years; his son Vijayāditya (I.)-bhaṭṭāraka for eighteen; his son Vishņuvardhana (IV.) for thirty-six.
- (V. 2.) King Vijayâditya (II.), surnamed Narêndramrigarâja, who had the courage of a lion, for forty years with eight.¹
- (L. 13.) His son Kali-Vishnuvardhana (V.) for one year and a half. His son, whose other name was Parachakrarama,
- (V. 3.) (was) Vijayâditya (III.), who, having slain in a great battle Mangi, the king of the great Nodamba-râshtra, having defeated the Gangas who took refuge on the peak of Gangakûta, and having terrified Sankila, the lord of the excellent Da[ha]la, who was joined by the fierce Vallabha, ruled the earth for forty-four years.
- (L. 16.) Châlukya-Bhîma (I.), the son of his younger brother Vikramâditya (I.) who had received the dignity of Yuvarája, for thirty. His eldest son Vijayâditya (IV.) for six months. His eldest son Ammarâja (I.) for seven years. Having overcome his infant son, Tâla-nripa, the son of Yuddhamalla (I.), the paternal uncle of Châlukya-Bhîma (I.), for one month.
- (V. 4.) Having slain at the head of a rough battle this **Tála-rája** together with crowds of different vassals, who were joined by a superior army (and) had troops of furious elephants, the glorious king **Vikramāditya** (II.), the son of king **Châlukya-Bhima** (I.), of very fierce power, righteously ruled for one year the earth surrounded by the girdle of the oceans.
- (L. 22.) Afterwards at the setting (i.e. the death) of Vikramaditya (II.), the kinsmen-princes who were desirous of the kingdom, (viz.) Yuddhamalla, Rajamartanda, Kanthika-Vijayaditya, etc., were fighting for supremacy, oppressing the subjects like Rakshasas (at the setting of the sun). In more war five years passed away. Then (succeeded)—
- (V. 5 f.) The fierce warrior who slew among those Råjamårtanda; who in a battle made Kanthikā-Vijayāditya and Yuddhamalla go to a foreign country; the curved sword wielded by whose strong arm dispatched to the abode of Death many others who, though respectable tings, had shown themselves puffed up by evil conduct (and) causing distress to the country; and whose) command is carried on the head like a garland by the eager kings of the earth.
- (V. 8.) This Rājabhima (II.), the son of Vijayāditya (IV.) (and) grandson of Chālukya-Bhima (I.), righteously ruled the surface of the earth for twelve years.
- (V. 9.) Ammarâja (II.), who was born to him by Lôkamahâdêvî, as Kumâra to Mahâsvara by Umâ;
- (V. 13 f.) Who—as the eastern lord of mountains, to redden the world, (puts on himself) he sun—put on, to please the world, the fillet in the twelfth year of (his) birth, in the year ockened by the mountains (7), the flavours (6) and the Vasus (8)—(i.e. 867)—of the Saka era,

¹ The reading of the text seems to be meant for चरवारिश्रसमा पष्टीभ:, which would however be against the actre.

² The other Eastern Châlukya inscriptions show that agraja has to be taken here to mean 'the first-born son,' nd not, as usually, 'the elder brother.' A similar use of the word agrajanman is noted by Dr. Fleet, above, 'ol. VII. p. 181.

in this month of Mârgasîrsha, on the thirteenth day of the dark (fortnight), on Thursday, in the Maitra (Anurâdhâ) nakshatra, while the sun (was) in Dhams, in the Ghata lagna;

- (1. 41.) This Samastabhuvandśraya, the glorious Vijayâditya (VI.), the Mahārājādhirāja Paraméšvara, the very pious Ammarāja (II.) thus commands all the ryots, headed by the Rishtrakûtas, inhabiting the district (vishaya) of Kamma-nāṇḍu:—Lords!
- (V. 15.) Even one possessed of thousands of mouths (would be) unable to count the great achievements of that valiant Pāṇḍaraṅga, of spotless fame, who burnt Kiraṇapura, the residence of Krishṇarāja, as Mahēša (Śiva) (burnt) Tripura.
- (L. 44.) His son (was) Niravadyadhavala, whose forehead was decorated with the fillet of Katakarāja. His son (was) the Katakādhipati Vijayāditya.
- Verse (16.) His son (was) **Durgaraja**, whose sword always (served) only for the protection of the fortune of the **Chalukyas**, and whose renowned family (served) for the support of the excellent great country (mandala) called **Véngi**.
- (V. 17.) There is on the southern side of **Dharmapuri** a very charming excellent temple of **Jina** (*Jinālaya*) founded by him, an abode of merit, and marked with the auspicious name of **Kaṭakābharaṇa**.
- (V. 18.) (There was) the lord of ascetics Jinanandin, who resembled the Gaṇadharas, belonged to the pure and worthy² Nandi-gachchha (and) was the chief lord of the Koṭimaḍuva(P)-gaṇa, which is to be worshipped (as belonging to) the holy Yāpaniya-saṃgha.
- (V. 19.) His first disciple was a chief of ascetics called **Div[a]kara**, renowned on earth, a store of highest knowledge (and) high-souled, who resembled the **Jinas** themselves by great virtues.
- (V. 20.) His disciple was the wise ascetic **Śrimandiradêva**, a store of great austerities, whom people desire as if he were possessed of the power of pratihārya.³
- (L. 53.) To the Kaṭakābharaṇa-Jinālaya superintended by him there was given, at the request of the Kaṭakarāja, for the cost of repairs of breaks and cracks, offerings, worship, etc., and of an alms-house (sattra), on the occasion of the winter solstice (uttarāyaṇa), the small village named Maliyapūṇḍi, with exemption from all taxes, with libations of water.
- (L. 56.) The boundaries of this village (are): in the east Munjuny[u]ru; in the south Yinimili; in the west Kalvakuru; in the north Dharmavuramu.
- (L. 57.) The boundaries of the fields of this village (are): in the east the Gollani-grapha (pond); in the south-east the Râviya-periya-cheruvu (tank); in the south a demarcation stone; in the south-west also a demarcation stone; in the west Malkaparru and the Korabôyu-tatâka (tank); in the north-west also a demarcation stone; in the north the Duba-cheruvu (tank); in the north-east the boundary (is) also the boundary of the Evvôka-chônu (field) in Kalvakuru.

No. 7.—PLATES OF VIJAYA-DEVAVARMAN.

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Two sets of excellent ink-impressions of this grant were sent to me by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya, who had received the original plates from the Collector of the Kistna district

¹ The word cama means also 'a cane;' see Nellora District Inscriptions, p. 173, note 5.

² It is not quite impresible that praydruha- is a mistake for Punndga-; compare the Punnagavrikshamülagans of the Nandisangha, above, Vol. IV. p. 338.

³ According to Buddhist works, pratiharya or pratiharya means 'jugglery, working miracles;' see the St. Petersburg Dictionary.

"The plates belong to the Head Assistant Collector of Narsapur, in whose office they have been lying for a long time. The person from whom they were originally obtained is not known."

"The copper-plates are four in number. Their length is $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches, and their height $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches at the ends and $2\frac{1}{8}$ inches in the middle. Their margins are not raised into rims. The ring was cut by me (viz. Mr. Venkayya) for the first time. Its diameter is $2\frac{5}{8}$ inches, and its thickness slightly over $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. The ends of the ring are secured at the base of an oval seal, measuring $2\frac{1}{8}$ by $1\frac{1}{8}$ inches. The seal is all but obliterated; but a faint trace of some quadruped—perhaps a tiger—can be seen."

The inscription on the plates is carefully engraved and on the whole in a state of very good preservation. The alphabet resembles that of the three grants of Simhavarman¹ and of the plates of Vijaya-Nandivarman². But neither t nor n have a loop at the left. As in the Hîrahadagalli plates,³ the former is distinguished by a slight curve at the right; compare e.g. the ta of ctassa (1.8) with the na of vayanena (1.7). As first members of a consonant group both look the same; see the tti of āchchhēttā and the ntā of ch-ānumantā (1.17). Final forms of t and n, followed by a mark of punctuation which looks like a right angle, because at the end of lines 17 and 19. The numerical symbol 20 occurs in line 11, the symbols 3 and 10 are used in the date (1.15), and the plates ii.a, ii.b, iii.a, iii.b and iv. are numbered consecutively, like the pages of a modern book,⁴ with the symbols 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 on the left margin; on the first plate the sacred syllable ôm occupies the place of the figure 1.

The language is Prakrit prose, with the exception of the last plate which bears two of the customary Sanskrit verses. While in the cave inscriptions every double consonant is expressed by a single letter, the orthography of the prose part of the subjoined plates agrees in this respect with that of the literary Prakrit and of the British Museum plates of Charudeva. In samevachchhara (l. 14) v is doubled after anusvara. The language of the new plates is more archaic than that of the literary Prakrit in one important point; single consonants between vowels generally remain unchanged. Thus k is preserved in bhattdraka (1,3); kh in pamukha (l. 7); g in bhagavato (l. 1); j in vijaya (ll. 1, 6, 14), y $\hat{a}jin$ (l. 5) and mahārdja (l. 6); t in bhagavato (l. 1), annjjhāta (l. 2f.), bhānitavva and eta (l. 8), pariharitavva (1. 13 f.); th in ratha (1. 2); d in påda (11. 2 and 3) and padesa (1. 10); dh in medha (1. 5). But elision and ya-śruti have taken place in addhiya (l. 11) for ardhika, niyattana (l. 10) for nivartana, voyana (l. 7) for vachana, and at the beginning of the enclitic cha in duvaggüna ya (l. 12) and pariharitavvo ya (l. 13 f.). The word Pausha (l. 15) appears in its Sanskrit form. Dental n occurs in annijhâta (1.2 f.), Sâlankâyana (1.4), yâjino (1.5), gharatthâna (11.11 and 12) = Sanskrit grihasthâna, and lingual n in bhânitavva (1. 8), Ganasamma (1. 9), duvagyána and rakkhana (l. 12), samdnatta (l. 13) = Sanskrit samájňapta, 9 and samvachchharání (l. 14). Both n and n uppear in vayanena (l. 7), niyattanan[i] (l. 10) and manussanam (l. 11).10 Among the remaining Prakrit words may be noted the two numerals terasa (1. 15) and visain (l. 11), 11 and of other inflected words the ablative Verigipurd (l. 1), the genitives Devavammassa (l. 6) and Ganasammassa (l. 9),18 the two differently formed locatives Elûre (l. 7) and padesamhi (l. 10), and the instrumental parihârchi (l. 13).

The inscription is dated on the tenth tithi of the dark fortnight of Pausha in the thirteenth year (in words and figures, l. 14 f.) of the Mahdraja Vijaya-Devavarman (l. 6), who issued

See above, Vol. VIII. p. 160.
2 Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 175 ff.
3 Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 2 ff.

Another instance, in which the single pages of a grant are numbered, are the British Museum plates of Charndevi; see above, Vo'. VIII. p. 144.

Above. Vol. VIII. p. 114 and note 5.

Compare Prof . nichel's Prakrit grammar, § 189.

Compare ibid. § 184, Compare ibid. § 61a.

¹⁰ Con pare ibil. § ..24. 11 Ibid. §§

Compare ibid. § 88.

¹¹ Ibid. §§ 443 and 445.

¹² Compare ibid. § 402.

this grant from Vêngîpura (l. 1) and addressed it to the villagers of Êlûra (l. 7). The donce was named Gaṇaśarman (l. 9) and received twenty (in words and figures, l. 11) nivartanas of land, evidently near Elûra, together with a site for his house and a site for the houses of his servants.

The king is described as 'the performer of horse-sacrifices, the Salankayana, the fervent Mahôsvara, who is devoted to the feet of the lord (his) father, (and) who meditates at the feet of the holy Chitrarathasvamin.' Nearly the same epithets are applied in another set of plates to the Mahârâja Vijaya-Nandivarman, who was the son of the Mahârâja Chandavarman, issued his grant likewise from Vêngîpura, and addressed it to the inhabitants of a village in the district of Kudrahâra.² This family may be designated the Salankayana Mahârâjas of Vêngîpura. As Dêvavarman's grant is in Prâkrit, he was presumably an ancestor of Chandavarman's son Nandivarman, whose grant is in Sanskrit.

Vêngîpura, the capital of the Śâlańkâyanas, has been identified with Pedda-Vêgi, a village near Ellore in the Godavari district.³ The correctness of this identification is confirmed by the existence of a small mound which, on a visit to Pedda-Vêgi in 1902, was shown to me by the villagors as the site of the ancient temple of Chitrarathasvāmin,⁴ the family deity of the Śâlańkâyana Mahârâjas. Other indications point to the same part of the country. The plates of Vijaya-Nandivarman were found in the neighbouring Kolleru lake,⁵ and Élûra, to whose inhabitants the subjoined edict was addressed, is no doubt the modern town of Élûru (Ellore), 7 miles from Pedda-Vêgi.

TEXT.6

First Plate.

Om7 [1"]

- 1 Sirî-vijaya-Vengîpurâ [i*] Bhagavato
- 2 Chittarathasami-padanu-
- 3 jjhatassa bappabhattaraka-padabhattassa

Second Plate; First Side.

- 4 paramamâhessarassa Sálankâyanassa
- 5 assamedhayâjino
- 6 maharaja-sirî-Vijaya-Devavammassa

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 7 vayanena Elûre muluda-pamukho
- 8 gâmo bhânitavvo [1*] Etassa
- 9 Ba[bhura]-sagottassa Ganasammassa

Third Plate ; First Side.

- 10 sundara-padesamhi bhûmi-niyattanân[i]
- 11 vîsan 20 gharatthânam addhiya-manussânam
- 12 duvaggâna ya gharatthânam parihâra-rakkhanam

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 175 ff.

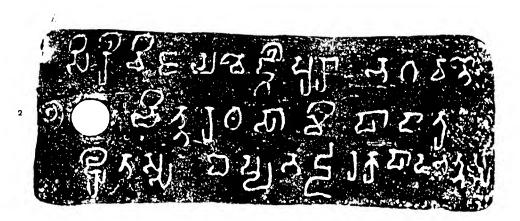
² This is the actual reading of the plates; see above, Vol. VI. p. 316 and note 4.

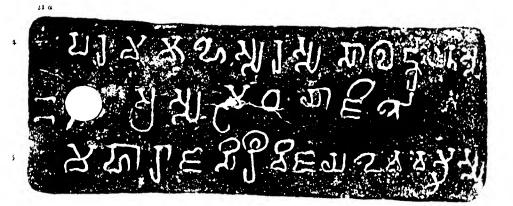
^{*} South-Ind. Pal. p. 16, note 1, Ind. Aut. Vol. XX. p. 93.

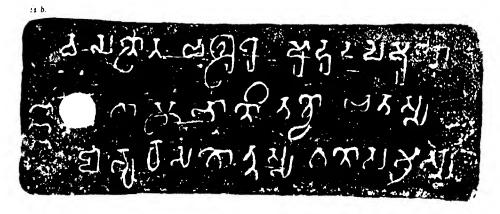
⁴ Compare the quotation from the Madras Journal, Vol. XIX. (which is at present inaccessible to me), above, Vol. IV. p. 143, note 7.

South-Ind. Pat. p 135, note 1. Supplies From two sets of ink-impressions.

^{*} Expressed by a symbol, which stands on the left margin of line 2.



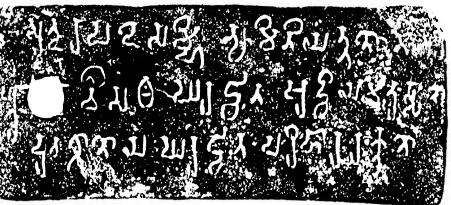




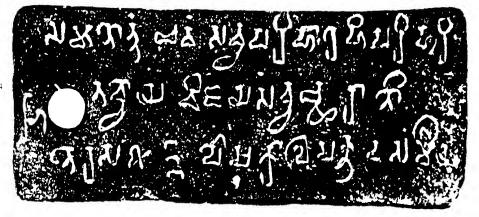
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Third Plate; Second Side.

- 13 samâṇattam [1*] Evam savva-parihârehi parihari-
- 14 tavvo ya [i*] Vijaya-samvvachchharani
- 15 terasa 10 3 Pausha-kâlapakkha-dasamî [10?][[*]

Fourth Plate.

- 16 Shashtim varsha-sahasrâni svarggê krîdati bhûmi-dah [1*]
- 17 åchchhêttå ch-ånumantå cha tâny-ôva narakê! vasêt ||
- 18 Bahubhir-vasudhâ dattâ bahubhis-ch-ânupâlitâ [10]
- 19 yasya yasya yada bhûmih² tasya tasya tada phala[m] ||

TRANSLATION.

Om. (Line 1.) From the prosperous and victorious Véngipura. The villagers³ of Élura, headed by the Muluqu,⁴ must be addressed (as follows) by the word of the glorious Mahārājā Vijaya-Dēvavarman, the performer of horse-sacrifices, the Śālańkāyana, the fervent Māhēsvarm who is devoted to the feet of the lord (his) father, (and) who meditates at the feet of the holy⁶ Chitrarathasvāmin:—

(L. S.) "It has been ordered that to this Ganasarman of the Ba[bhura] gêtra (there have to be made over) twenty—20—nivartanas of land in a handsome locality, a house-site (for himself, and) a house-site for the men who receive half the crops and for (his) door-keepers, (and) that the immunities (granted to him) have to be protected. And thus he must be exempted with all immunities. (In) the victorious year thirtoon—13—(of the reign), (on) the tenth—[10]—tithi of the dark fortnight of Pausha."

[Ll. 16-19 contain two of the usual verses.]

No. 8.—BENARES INSCRIPTION OF PANTHA.

BY P. DAYA RAM SAHNI.

I edit this inscription from two rubbings kindly supplied to me, one by Dr. J. Ph. Vogel, Superintendent, Archæological Survey, Northern Circle, and the other by Mr. G. D. Ganguli, Curator, Provincial Museum, Lucknow. A transcript of it has been published before in 1886 by Prof. Hultzsch in the Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft, Vol. XL. p. 55.

The slab on which the inscription is engraved is said to have been discovered in the vicinity of the modern city of Benares, and is one of the twenty-four objects which were presented, at the instance of Mr. J. H. Marshall, to the Lucknow Museum by the Principal of Queen's

⁵ The genitive blage vato refers to Chittarathasami, the first member of the following compound. This is of course a grammatical blunder of the officer who drafted the inscription.

* Prof. Kielborn suggests to me that this doubtful word may be meant for Babbru.

¹ This word looks almost like narakô.

² Read badmis=.

³ Literally, 'the village.'

^{*} This looks like a Dravidian word, which however cannot be traced in the dictionaries. The plates of Vijaya-Nandivarman (i. 4) seem to read, instead of it, Munuda; but the apparent nu in the middle of this word may be in reality an obliterated fu.

^{*} The pronoun this coldently had been uttered by the king in the presence of the donce, just as ** *tlaham* in the plates of tijaya.N. odirar aan, h. 5.

On drdhika or archesirin.see the Mitakshard on Yajiavalkya, I. 166. The Prakțit form addhika occurs in Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 6, text line 39.

The Sanskrit criginal of devagga seems to be dvarga, which may be taken in the sense of dvaketha.

College, Benares, in December 1903.¹ In discussing these sculptures, Dr. Vogel also noticed th stone, but failed to ascertain its precise find-spot.²

Judging from the rubbings, the slab which bears the extant portion of the inscription measures 26" by 15" (66 cm. by 38 cm.). The stone-mason has done his work with great car and neatness, and the letters are deeply cut.

The inscription consists of eight lines, but it is far from complete. About one-fifth of the entire slab is broken away along the proper left edge, and consequently lines 1-7 have each lost a number of syllables, which varies from nine to fourteen. The first three syllables of the tirst line and the first akshara of the second line have also disappeared owing to a small piece of stone having chipped off from the upper right corner. The record is further damaged by the surface having more or less peciled off in the marginal portions.

The characters of the inscription very closely resemble those of an inscription from Jhâlrâpâṭan³ and are of the ornamental type current in Northern India about the beginning of the eighth century A.D. Attention must, however, be drawn to the letters bh and y.⁴ The former of these always, and the latter in several cases, exhibit forms which come very close to those of the Maukhari alphabet of the sixth century A.D. The language is correct Sanskrit and metrical throughout. As regards orthography, there are three different points which deserve notice: (1) the doubling of the letters m, t, p and v in conjunction with a preceding or following r, in -maranayôr=mmôksha-, l. 1; yattra, l. 2; attra and -marttih, l. 4; sarppatsarppa- and -ruchir=vvilôla-, l. 6; (2) the substitution of a single consonant for a double one in -tatva-, l. 3; -vrityd, l. 4; ujvalam, l. 7; and (3) the use of v for b in vrahmahd, l. 2, and sandhivandha-, l. 7.

The inscription is not dated, and its object is to record the erection of a shrine of Bhavani at Benarcs. There are altogether five verses, the first three in the Sragdhara and the last two in the Sardalavikridita metre. The first stanza is devoted to the praise of the city of Varanasi. The purport of the second verse is not quite certain; it seems to speak of a particular quarter of the holy city, which was often visited even by the moon when practising her penance. The third verse contains an eulogy of the builder of the shrine, named Pantha, and the last two speak of the consecration of the Bhavani image (?) and the construction of the shrine, respectively.

TEXT.

- l [Öm svasti || *] [Khyâ]tâ Vârâṇas=îyam tribhuvana-bhavan-âbhôga-chaur-îti dûrâtsòvantê yâm viraktâ janana-maraṇayôr=mmôksha-sakt-aika-[chi]ttâh [|] sô -
- 2 [ta] saganô yattra dêvô vimuktah yâm drishṭvâ vra(bra)hmah-âpi chyuta-kali-kalushô jâyatê śuddha-bhâvah || [1*] Asyâm=uttunga-śringa-sphuṭa-śa[śi]-kirana-[śvêta-bhâsâ sanâtham ramy-âyâma*]-

3 pratôlî-vividha-ja apada-strî-vilâs-âbhirâmam | vidyâ-vêdârtha-tatva(ttva)-vrata-japaniyama-vyagra-chandr-âbhijushtam śrîmat=sthânam [pri]thivyâ UUUUUUU — U — U [2*]

4 Attr=abhût-Pantha-nâmâ śiśur-api vinaya-vyâpatô bhadra-mûrttih tyâgî dhîrah kritajñah parilaghu-vibhavô=py-âtma-°vrity(tty)=âbhîtu[shṭaḥ6 | Gaṅgâ-sròtas-śuchi-śrî*]-

¹ Annual Report of the Lucknow Provincial Museum for 1903-4, p. 2.

² Archaelogical Survey Report for 1903-4, p. 212.

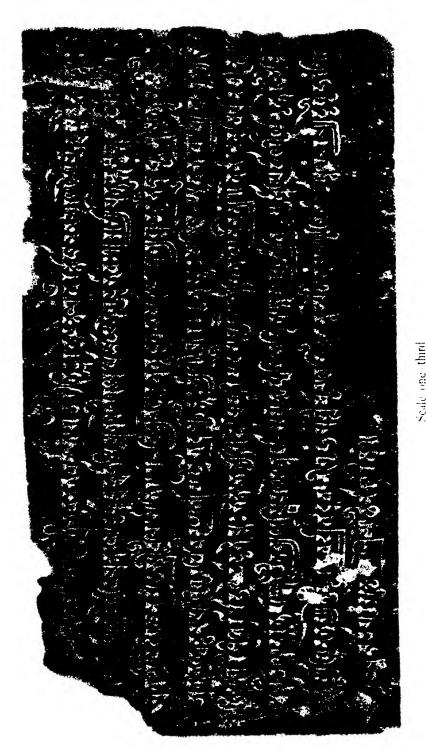
⁸ Ind. Ast. Vol. V. p. 180 and Plate.

^{*} E.g. in yattra, jayate, 1. 2; vinaya, 1. 4; and yéna, 1. 5.

 [[]In my own transcript this word was misread as adrya-.—E. H.]

^{*} This restoration is based on the preceding abhitu" and Alma-vrittya.

Benares inscription of Pantha.



From a rubbing supplied by Dr. J. Ph. Vogel.

- 5 Himagiri-sikhar-ârôha-khêdâd=ritê=mbhaḥ bhaktô, bhaktyâ Śivô mê parishad=api guṇais=tôshitâ yêna nityam || [3*] Tên=ânêka-vidhâna-dîkshaṇa-[śataiḥ sainsthâpit=lârtha-vyayaiḥ*]
- 6 chaṇḍi chaṇḍa-narôttamâṅga-rachita-vyâlambi-mâl-ôtkatâ l sarppat-sarppa-vivôshṭit-âṅga-paraśu-vyāviddha-śushk-âmishâ lîlâ-nṭitta-ruchir=vvilô[la-²nayanâ mūrtir-³
 Bhavânyâḥ śubhâ || 4*]
- - 8 [prarudha]-dhvaja-chamaram su[kri]tina śroyô-rthina karitam [[5*]

TRANSLATION.

- [Om. Hail!] (Verse 1.) Famous is this Varanasi which, having usurped the extent of the abode of the three worlds, is worshipped from afar by passionless people, with their mind solely fixed on liberation from birth and death; at which place was emancipated the god. with his attendants; and at the sight of which even the murderer of a Brahmana, freed of the stain of sin, becomes pure of heart.
- (V. 2.) In this (city there was) a place, renowned on earth; [bathed in the white light] of the bright rays of the moon (as they fell on its) lofty turrets; charming with the gracefulness of the wives of the various inhabitants of the [beautiful and extensive] streets; a favourite resort of the moon? engaged in study, interpretation of the Vôdas, (search after) truth, (observance of) vows, muttering of prayers and austorities
- (V. 3.) Here lived (a man) named Pantha, who even as a child was well-behaved, handsome, generous, wise, grateful, (and) contented with his earnings in spite of his limited means; (who used to think thus to himself): 'The god (ambhah)' Siva is worshipped by my devotion without the toil of ascending the peaks of the Himâlaya, [purified by the waves of the Ganges];' and who constantly gladdened the assembly (of the wise) by (his) virtues.
- (V. 4.) By him [was erected at a considerable cost (and) [with hundreds of] different consecrations [a beautiful image of Bhavânî], fierce-looking, awe-inspiring owing to a garland formed of gruesome human heads hanging (from her neck); with limbs encircled by crawling snakes, and with dry flosh pierced on an axe; delighting in a sportive dance, (and) with rolling [eyes].

¹ Compare the expression samsthapya in 1.7.

² This syllable is required to complete the word vil6la.

³ The restoration of mirtir=, etc., is purely conjectural; but that it is probably correct, may be concluded from the fact that the epithets chandl, etc., clearly refer to an image of Bhavânî. Moreover, since the very next verse records the foundation of a Bhavânî shrine, it seems almost necessary to assume that an image of the same goddess should have been placed in this shrine.

⁴ Literally, 'the thief of the extent,' etc.

⁵ This passage presumably alludes to Siva's residence at Benarcs in the Tritayuga. See Rajendralal Mitra's Antiquities of Orissa, Vol. II. p. 63.

Literally, 'whose extent was charming.'

^{7 -}bhakt-abhijuzhtam would be a better reading.--{Or chandra may be meant for nara-chandra, 'an excellent man.'--E. H.]

I do not find the word vydpata in any Sanskrit Dictionary. Vydprits would be a more appropriate reading.

^{* [}But ambhah does not mean 'a god.' I would rather conjecture at the end of line 4 Gangdyd gahamans and translate: 'devoutly (bhaktah) [entering] the water (ambhah) [of the Gangal.' In the following I prefer to join Śiróms and to translate: 'who daily pleased Śiva and Uma by (his) devotion (and their) attendants by (his) sirtues.'—E. H.]

No. 9.— THE CHAHAMANAS OF NADDULA.

By Professor F. Kielhorn, C.I.E.; Göttingen.

Of the Chahamanas of Sakambhari we possess two long inscriptions. One of them is the Harsha inscription of Vigraharâja, edited by me in Ep. Ind. Vol. 11. p. 116 ff. It is dated in the [Vikrama] year 1030, corresponding to about A.D. 973, and gives the genealogy of the Châhamânas from Gûvaka I., 'who attained to pre-eminence as a hero in the assembly of the glorious Nâgâvalôka,' the foremost of kings,' to Vigraharâja. The other is the difficult Bijoli (Bijaoli, Bijolia, Bijholi) rock inscription of the reign of Sômêsvara, which has been uncritically edited in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. Vol. Liv. Part I. p. 40 ff. This inscription is dated in the Vikrama year 1226, corresponding to A.D. 1170, and gives a long genealogy, commencing with Sâmanta, the reputed founder of the family, and ending with Sômêsvara.² Between these two longer records, and subsequently to the second, we have a few shorter inscriptions of the same family, notably the Delhi Siwâlik pillar inscriptions of Vîsaladêva-Vigraharâja of A.D. 1164, and two short inscriptions on the defeat of the Chandêlla Paramardidêva by the Châhamâna Prithvîrâja II., of the [Vikrama] year 1239=A.D. 1182. The latest available date for this family is the [Vikrama] year 1244=A,D. 1187.³

From this Śâkambharî family there branched off, some time in the first half of the 10th century A.D., another line of Châhamânas (or Châhamânas), which was founded by the Sâkambharî prince Lakshmana, and which for a long time had its seat of government at Naddula, the modern Nadel in the Jödhpur State of Râjputâna. To this branch of the family there is assigned in my Northern List only a single inscription, No. 141, the Nadel copper-plate inscription of the Mahārāja Âlhanadêva of A.D. 1161. But there belong to it also other inscriptions of the List, inscriptions of chiefs whose connection with the family was not known

¹ I have already stated elsewhere that the true reading in verse 13 of the Harsha inscription is *friman-Nāgāvalôka-pravaranripa-sabhā-lavdha(bdha)-virapratishthah. In my Synchronistic Table for Northern India I have suggested that Nāgāvalôka may be identical with the Pratihāra Nāgābhata; but this appears to be a mistake. A definite date for a king Nāgāvalôka—apparently the Vikrama year \$13 = A.D. 756 — will, so far as I can see now, be furnished by a copper-plate inscription which has been quite recently discovered, and of which I have received a photograph from my friend Mr. Ojha.

² See above, Vol. VIII. Appendix I p. 13 f. ⁸ See my Northern List, Nos. 144, 176 and 183.

⁴ So this name is spelt below, in the inscriptions A., B. and C., and in the inscription of Luntigadeva, treated of under D. We find the name spelt in the same way (with dd) in verse 21 of the Bijoli rock inscription, which is quite wrongly given in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. Vol. LV. Part I. p. 42, the actual reading on the stone being: Jácálipuram jedlá-puram kritá Pallik-ápr pall-tva i nadvala-tulyam róshán-Naddálam yéna sau(sau)-ryéna ii. In the inscription at Vimala's temple on Moure à' à, which will be mentioned below, p. 81, the name is Nadúla. In verse 42 of the Mount Aba "ascription of Samarusiúnha (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 849) it is either Naddála or Nadála mot Nadála); and in Prof. Weber's Catalogue of the MSS, of the Berlin Library. Vol. II. pp. 1003 and 1004 we find Nadála, Naddrelapura and Nadálapura. In Mr. Káthavate's edition of the Kitrikaumudi, II. 69, and copied from it, in Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 26, verse 14, we also have Nadala, but this almost certainly is a mistake.

b Towards the end of the 12th century A.D. the seat of government was transferred to Javalipura (Jalor); and at the commencement of the 14th century a branch of the family took Chandravati with Mount Âbû from the Paramaras.

when I compiled the List. My object in writing this paper is, to give the genealogy of these Châhamânas of Naddûla, so far as the documents which lately have come to my knowledge enable me to do so. For this purpose I shall give the texts of three inscriptions which the kindness of Dr. Fleet and Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha allows me to edit, and an account of the contents of some Mount Âbû inscriptions, based on excellent impressions for which we have to thank Mr. Cousens.

A.— NADOL PLATES OF ÅLHANADÊVA; [VIKRAMA-]SAMVAT 1218.

These plates were obtained by Colonel Tod, in October 1819, at Nadol, a town in the Jódhpur State of Râjputâna, and presented to the Royal Asiatic Society. An account of their contents was given by him in his Annals and Antiquities of Rajasthan, Vol. I. p. 804; and the inscription which they contain was edited, in a rather slovenly manner, by Rao Bahadur H. 11. Dhruva, in Journ. Hombay As. Soc. Vol. X1X, p. 26 ff. I re-edit it from an excellent photolithograph, prepared under the superintendence of, and kindly placed at my disposal by, Dr. Fleet.

These are two plates, each of which measures about $8\frac{\pi}{8}$ broad by $6\frac{\pi}{2}$ high. The first plate is inscribed on one side only, and the second on both sides. The edges of the inner sides of them are fashioned slightly thicker, so as to protect the writing, and the inscription is in a state of perfect preservation. Both plates contain a hole for a ring, but the ring and any scal that may have been attached to it have not been preserved. The characters are Nâgarî. The language is Sanskrit, and the greater part of the text is in verse. In respect of orthography it will suffice to state that the letters b and v are both denoted by the sign for v, and that the dental sibilant is often used for the palatal. The text contains a considerable number of clerical mistakes, most of which can be easily corrected. Other mistakes are shown by the metre to be due to the author himself, who possessed no accurate knowledge of Sanskrit. Of these I would point out here morely the wrong samdhi in sprihayan=amaratâm (for sprihayan=amaratâm) in line 17, the meaningless -pragunibhâtâpasavyakah pâṇih (for -pragunibhâtâpasavyapāṇih) in line 21, and the onission of some word like viditam before the words vô-stu in line 18. In lines 13, 14 and 16 the potential syât is used for asti or bhavati.

The inscription records a donation by the Mahārāja Ālhaṇadêva of Naddūla.⁴ According to lines 18-23, this chief, on Sunday, the 14th tithi (described as mahāchaturdašī-parvan⁵) of the bright half of Śrāvaṇa in the year 1218, after worshipping the Sun and Ĩšāna (Śiva) and making gifts to Brāhmaṇs and gurus, granted to (the Jaima temple of) Mahāvīradēva in the Saṇdōraka gachehha,⁶ at the holy place⁷ (mahāshāna) of Naddūla, a monthly sum of five drammas, (to be paid) from the custom-house (śulka-maṇḍapikā³) in the grounds³ of Naddūla.

¹ See his Annals and Antiquities of Rajasthan, Vol. I. p. 698; my Northern List, No. 141,

² Indian Inscriptions, No. 10, not yet published.

For instances where the potential is used for the imperfect see e.g. Ind. Ant. Vol. XVII. p. 135.

So the name is spelt twice in line 22, and the same spelling is required by the metre in line 3. See above, p. 62, note 4.

⁵ For the similar use of parvan in other dates see Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 413, and Vol. XXV. p. 289 f.

In Mount Âbû inscriptions this gachchha is also called Sandêra-gachchha and Shandêraka-gachchha. The town of Sandêra (the Sanderao of the map of the Rajputana Agency) is mentioned below in C., line 16.

According to Colonel Tod Naddula was one of the ancient seats of the Jainas.

For passages in which the term mandapika occurs, compare e.g. Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 114, l. 27; p. 173, l. 6 (Styadóni-satka-mandapika); p. 175, l. 19; p. 177, l. 29 and l. 30; p. 179, l. 45; p. 262, l. 3 (pattana-mandapika); Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 10, col. 2 (Śrłpathā-stha-mandapika); Journ. As. Soc. Beng. Vol. LV. Part I. p. 47, iv., and p. 48, v.; Bhāonagar Inser. p. 205, l. 7. Šulka-mandapikā occurs e.g. in Bhāvnagar Inser. p. 158 f., ll. 10, 15 and 18.— The meaning of mandapikā is suggested by the Marathi māmdavī, 'a custom-house.'

The word talapada (in srt-Naddula-talapada-sulkamandapikāyām) is not found in the dictionaries. 1 ake it to be synonymous with, or similar in meaning to, svatala, which occurs in some of the Valubhi inscriptions, and for which see Dr. Fleet's note above, Vol. VI. p. 166. Compare also Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 339, note 30.

The inscription, after the words 'am, adoration to the Omniscient,' opens with a verse in which the holy Mahavîradêva, 'the youngest of the Jinas,' is desired to bestow welfare. It then (in verses 2-7) gives the following genealogy of the granter:-

In the Chahumana race there was first at Naddula the king Lakshmana. His son was Sôhiya, and his son Baliraja. After him came his paternal uncle Vigrahapala. His son was Mahéndra, his son Anahilla, and his son Bâlaprasada. His brother was Jendraraja, and his son Prithivîpala. His brother was Jôjalla, and his younger brother Aśaraja, whose son was Alhanadêva. Nothing of historical importance is said about any of these chiefs.

According to lines 33-38, the dûta of this grant was the minister, appointed to the secretaryship (śrikarana), Lakshmidhara, the son of Dharanigga, of the Pragvata race; and the grant was composed and written by Sridhara, the son of Vasala (Visala?), who was the son of Manoratha, of the family of the Naigamas. The inscription ends with the words 'this is the own hand (i.e. sign-manual) of the Maharaja, the illustrious Alhanadêva.

Naddûla of course is the modern Nadel where the plates were obtained, and where the temple of Mahâvîra to which the grant was made apparently still exists.2 The date of the grant, for the expired Chaitridi Vikrama year 1218, regularly corresponds to Sunday, the 6th August A.D. 1161, when the 14th tithi of the bright half of Śrâvaņa ended 15 h, 35 m, after mean sunrise.3

TEXT.4

First Plate.

- Om⁵ || Om namah Sarvvajñâyah⁶ | Diśatu⁷ Jina-kanishthah karmmavain(bain)dhakshayishthah parihrita-madamârakròdha-
- duritasikhari-sainvabs niayîeav(ôvà)ôva cha lobhadiyarah 1 śam vas= tribhuvanakrita-sêvah 19 śrî-Mahâvî-
- radêvah | [1*] Astilo parama â-jalanidhi jagati-talôl1 Châhumâna-vamsô hi t tav(tr)-asîn=Nadû(ddû)lê bhûpah
- śri-Lakshmana Adan 12 II 2* Tasmåd=va(ba)bhûva raja putrò śrîśrî-Va(ba)lirajô râ-Sôhiyas¹³=tad-anu sûnuh |
- cha pitrivyl(vyah) || jà Vigrahapâlô-nu Tasy=ât=14tanûjô bhûpâlah 115 śrî-Mahêndradev-Akhyah | taj-jah śrî-16
- Anahilô(lló)17 nripati-varò=bhût-prithula-têjâh || [4*] Tat-sûnuh śrî-Va(ba)laprasada ity-ajani parthiva-
- 7 śrêshthah l tad-bhrât-âbhû[t*]=kshitipah subhatah śrî-Jèndrarāj-ākhyaḥ || Srî-Prithivîpâlô=bhû | t* | = tat-putrah sai-18
- 1 Compare above, Vol. VIII. p. 200, line 8 of the text. Above, Vol. III. p. 317, l. 45, frikarana by itself is used to denote the official ('a secretary').
 - 2 See the Imperial Gazetteer of India, Vol. X. p. 142.
 - 3 Compare Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 30, No. 35.
 - 4 From a photo-lithograph prepared under the superintendence of, and supplied to me by, Dr. Fleet.
 - Denoted by a symbol.
 - 7 Metre: Malinî.
 - 9 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.
 - 11 For the sake of the metre for jayati-tall.
- 13 Read onas -chaddau. 18 Mr. Dhruva's text has Lohiyava; but Nohiyava is quite clear in the original. The same name, Sohiya, I find above, Vol. VIII. p. 221, 4, 19, and in another Mount Abb inscription, No. 1699 of Mr. Cousens' List.

6 Read 'jūdya.

Read -famvah, 'a thunderbolt.'

10 Metre of verses 2-9 : Arya.

- 14 Reud =abhavat=. 15 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.
- Mere and elsewhere the f of ir! has purposely not been changed to y before a vowel; compare below, lines 9 and 38, ert-Alhana", and other passages in B. and C. and elsewhere.
- 17 The name is written Anahilla in B., line 7, and C., sage 11, and the same spelling is required here by the metre.
 - 15 Read sauryarrittisobh-adhyah.

- 8 ryavritisôbh-âḍhyaḥ | tasmâd=abhavad=bhrâtâ śrî-Jôjallô raṇaras-âtmâ [|| 6*| Tad-avaraĵô=bhûch=chhrîmâ-
- 9 n-**Âsā(śā)rāja**ḥ pratāpavara-nilayaḥ | tat-putraḥ kshòṇîpaḥ śrî-**Ālhaṇadēva**-nām=ābhūt || [7*]
- 10 Yasya pratápa-pså(?)lam¹ samkuladikehakra-prithulaviståram i simehamti sva(sû)ditâhitagaṇa-lalanâ
- | 1 nayanasalil-aughaih | | [8*] Sô=yain mahâ-kshitîśaḥ sâram-idain vu(bu)ddhimân-achimtayata [1*] iha sain-
- 12 săra⁹ asărain | ³ sarvvain janm-âdi jaintûnâin | (||) [9*] Yataḥ [|*] Garbhaḥ¹ strîkukshi-madhyô pala-rudhira-vasâ-
- 3 mêdasâ -va(ba)ddha-piṇḍô mâtuḥ prâṇâṇtakârî⁶ prasavana-samayê prâṇinâṇ syân-nu janmâ⁶ dharmm-â-
- 4 dînâm=avêttâ bhavati hi niyatam vâ(bâ)la-bhâvas=tatah svâ(syâ)t=târmnyam svalpamâtram svajama-pari-
- 5 bhavasthå(?)natâ⁶ vriddha-bhâvaḥ [(||) [10*] Khadyôtôdyô(ddyô)ta-tulyâḥ |² kshaṇam=iha sukhadâḥ sampa-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 6 dð drishta-mashtáh pránitvati chamchalam spád-dalam-upari yathá tóyavimdur-nnalinyáh i jöátv-aivam⁸ sva-pi-
- 7 trò spṛihayan=⁹amaratâm ch-aibikâm¹⁰ dharmma-kirtti désâmtô¹¹ rājaputrān¹² janapada-gaṇān vô(bô)dhayaty-ôva
- 3 vî=stu¹³ || [11*] Sam 1218 varshê | Şrâvaṇa-śudi 14 Ravau | asminn-êva mahâchaturddaś1-parvvaṇi || Snâtvâ¹⁴ dhauta-
- paţê nivêsya(sya)¹¹¹ dahanê datv=âhutîn¹¹² punya(nya)krin=Mâmrtvadasya¹ ² tamaḥprapāṭana-paţôḥ sampūrya oh=âghamijilim¹²² [[*]
-) trailòka(kya)sya prabhum charâchara-gurum samsnapya pamch-âmritair-Îsânam kanak-ânna-vastra-dadanaih¹⁹ sampûjya viprâ-
- - 1 Read -jdlam.

2 Observe the wrong saindhi (for sainsaird=sarain).

* Metre of verses 10 and 11 : Sragdhara.

- 3 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.
- 8 Read "kari and janma !.
- ⁶ The th of the akshara stha is not quite clear, but there seems to be no doubt that the above is the actual distincted reading. One would have expected -paribhavasthanam, but this would not have suited the metre.
 - 7 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.
- * Here a syllable, perhaps vai, has been omitted. .

 * Here, again, observe the wrong samidhi for which the metre shows the author to be responsible:
 ihayann= would have offended against the metre.
 - 10 Road =aihikim dharmma-kirttim; one misses a second cha.
- 11 I can only suggest that descents may stand for descented, i.e. descentar, descentar, in (this) country.
- 12 After this word a short syllable is missing; perhaps the reading should be otran=sva-janapada-.
- " The words vô=stu cannot be construed with the proceeding. The author had in his mind the phrase viditain stu.
- Metre : Sardalavikridita.
- 15 Mr. Dhruva read this Maitapats nicesya, which he translated by 'while encamped at Maitapata.' Com-
- e dhauta eásast paridháya in line 19 of B., and, e.g., in Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 347, l. 7 of the text.

 15 Read dattv=dhutth.

 17 Read =Márttandasya.

 18 Read =árghánjaiim.
- Dadana in the sense of dana. 20 Metre: Âryâ.
- 21 Read tila kusakshatodaka.. The ka of odaka is treated as a short syllable before pr; see Ind. Studien, VIII. p. 224.
- ²¹ The metre, in my opinion, shows that the author undoubtedly wrote this; what he intended was *pasarya-ih (=dakshina-pdnih).
- 21 Wrong for snad ., or, better, stad ..

Srî-Naddûla-mahâsthânê śrîvach-chamdrárkkapûpâlam! ([]) [13] Samdêraka-gachebhê śrî-Mahâviradêvâya śrî-Naddûla-

dhûpayêlârtham |2 sâsanêna dra³ 5 talamda sulkamamdapikâyâm mâsânumâsain pameha prådåt [[*] Asya

asmadyaniść jair-'bhavi-bhôk tribhir-aparaiś-cha dêvarasyanam4 bhumjanasya 24 paripainthana na karya | yatah [|*]

bhavadbhih kâlê kálô pálanívô dharma-sêtur=nripânâin 6Sâmânyô-yarin 25 saryvân-êvain bhâvinah pâ-

yachatê Râmachamdrah II [14*] Tasmat | bhûyô bhûyô 26 rthivêmdrân 7Asmadanya[ya*|jâ bhúpâ bhâvi-bhûpatayaś=cha yê [[*]

sad& |(||) pâlanîyam-idam [15#] Asmad vanisê karê lagnah têshâm=ahain parikshînê yah kaschim⁸ nripatir=bhavêt [[*]

nâ(na) vyatikramêt |(||) så(śå)sanam [16#] tasy=Ahain lagno=smi 28 karê Va(ba)hubhir-vasudhâ bhuktâ râjanyaih Sagar-â-

yasya yasya yada bhûmî(mi)s-tasya tasya tada phalam [|| 17*] 29 dibhih [1*] Vyashthi-9varsha-sahasrâni svarggê tishthati dâna-

dah []*] âchchhêtâ(ttâ) ch-ânumaintâ cha tâny=êva narakain 10 vasê[t] []| 18^{\bullet}] Sva-dattam para-dattam vâ dêva-dâyam harêta yaḥ [[*]

majjati || [19*] Sû(śû)nyvishthâyâm krimir=bhûtvå pitri(tri)bhih saha 31 âtavîvy(shv)=atôyâsu śushkakôtara-vâsi-

Second Plate: Second Side.

- nah (krishnahayô-bhijayamta dêva-dayam haramti yê || [20*] Mamgalam 32 mahâ-śrîh ||
- mahamatya-varab su-karmmå | Dharanigga-12 namnah su tô ¹¹Prágyáta-vamáð va(ba)bhûva dû-
- Lakshmidharah śrikarano nivôgî II [21*] prå(pra)tibhå-nivåsð 34 tah 13 A sît = syn.
- 35 chchha malâ(nâ) Manôratha iti pråkli Naigamanam kulê så(så)strajñânasudhârasa-
- plavita-15dhîs=taj-jô=bhavat16 Våsalah 1 putras-tasya va(ba)bhûva lôka-36vasani(ti)h śri-
- ch-édain mahå-śå-Śridharah Śridharê î takcı)a rachayamchakara lilikhê 37
- 38 [sa]nam || [22*] Sva-hastò=yam maharaja-śri-Alhanadevasya ||

B .- NADOL PLATES OF THE RAJAPUTRA KIRTIPALA; [VIKRAMA-]SAMVAT 1218.

Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha of Udaipur in Rajputana has informed me that these plates also were obtained, in the course of last year, at Nadol. My account of them is mainly based on two good rubbings, kindly supplied to m by Mr. Ojha.

¹ Rend bhilkilam; compare bish tikalam in line 26 of B.

² Read dhalpa-tail-airtham, without the sign of punctuation.

³ Le. dramman. 4 Rend dêrasy=ainam (for =ainad=, =aitad=). 6 Metre : Salinî. 5 Read sy=damadvainsajoire.

¹ Metre of verses 15 20 : Sloka (Anushtubh).

[&]quot; Read kaschine. * Read shashti- or shashtim. 10 Read naraki. 11 Metre : Upajâti.

¹² The name Dharaniga occurs above, Vol. VIII. p. 220, line 8 of the text; here the letter g seems to have been doubled simply for the sake of the metre.

¹⁴ Red prage. 12 Metre : Sardálavikridita.

¹⁵ Plavita wrong for plavita, which would not have suited the metre.

¹⁶ Read =6havad=, and, perhaps, I Galah.

These also are two plates, each of which measures about $9\frac{1}{4}$ broad by $6\frac{1}{4}$ high. The first plate is inscribed on one side only, and the second on both sides. The writing on them is in a state of perfect preservation. Each plate contains a hole for a ring; I do not know whether the ring and any seal that may have been attached to it have been preserved. The characters are Nâgarî, and the language is Sanskrit. The text contains eight verses of chiefly genealogical matter, three of the ordinary improcatory verses, and one verse giving the writer's name; the rest is in prose, which in one or two places is grammatically incorrect. As regards orthography, the letter v is used for both b and v, except in -labdhajanmai, 1. 3; the dental sibilant is used for the palatal in Mahésvaram, 1. 22; and the sign of avagraha is once employed, in shagajah, 1. 16. In line 29 the gerund lagitva is used in the sense of 'commencing from, beginning with.'

The inscription records a grant by the Rājaputra (or king's son) Kirtipāla, a son of Ālhaņadēva of Naddūla. After the words ôm svasti, it invokes the blessing of the gods Brahman, Śridhara (Vishņu), and Śamkara (Śiva), 'who, always free from passion, are famous in the world as Jinas' (or Jaina Arhats). It then (in verses 2-8) gives the following genealogy:—

In the town of Śākambhari there was formerly, in the Châhamâna³ lineage, the king Vākpatirāja. His son was Lakshmaṇa, who was king at Naddūla; and his son was Sōbhita. From him sprang Balirāja, and after him there ruled his paternal uncle Vigrahapāla. Vigrahapāla's son was Mahēndra, his son Aṇahilla, and his son Jēndrarāja, from whom sprang Āśarāja.⁴ His son was Ālhaṇa, the lord of Naddūla, who defeated the Saurāshṭrikas. This king married Annalladēvi,⁵ a daughter of Aṇahula of the Rāshṭrauḍa⁴ race, who bere to him three sons — Kēlhaṇa, Gajasimha, and Kīrtipāla. Of these, Kēlhaṇa, the eldest son, was made kumāra (or heir-apparent) and given a share in the government.

According to l. 17 ff. the Rijakula Âlhaṇadêva and the Kumāra Kēlhaṇadêva were pleased to give to the Rājaputra Kīrtipāla twelve villages appertaining to Naddūlā. And then, on Monday, the 5th of the dark half of Śrāvaṇa of the year 1218, the Rijaputra Kīrtipāla, after bathing etc. at Naddūla and worshipping the Sun and Mahésvara (Śiva), granted a yearly sum of two drammas from each of the twelve villages of Naddūlāi to (the temple of) the Jina Mahāvīra at the village of Naddūlāi, and ordered this money to be paid in the month of Bhādrapada of every year, commencing with the year then current. The twelve villages to which this order referred were Naddūlāigrāma, Sūjēra, Pariji, Kavilada, Sōnānam, Mērakarā, Haravandam, Mādāda, Kāṇasuvam, Dēvasūri, Nādāda, and Maūvadī.

So far as I can judge, the village of Naddûlâî mentioned in the above is different from (the mahâsthâna) Naddûla, and the words Naddûlâi-pratibaddha in line 18 appear clearly to show that Naddûlâî not merely was the name of a village, but also denoted the district to which the twelve villages given to Kîrtipâla belonged.— On the map of the Rûjputâna Agency I find,

¹ The second side of the second plate contains three lines of writing. Of these no rubbing, but only Mr Ojha's transcript has been sent to me.

² The metre of verse 6 is a mixture of Upêndravajrâ and Vasantatilakâ.

³ So the name is spelt here and below in C.

^{*} In C. the name is Atárája, while in A. the actual spelling is Atárája. Here we have Atárája, and in D. the actual spelling is Asarája.

⁵ The occurrence of this name here induces me to state that the name in the Delhi Siwalik pillar inscription of Visaladêva-Vigraharâja, A., line 2 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 218) is Annalladêva, not Avélladêva, and that therefore Annalladêva should be substituted for Avélladêva also in my Northern List, No. 144, and above, Vol. VIII. App. I. p. 14, col. 1 (after Arpôrâja).

For a Ra-htroda vamea see my Northern List, No. 273.

On this and similar titles see my remarks above, Vol. IV. p. 312, note 7. Mahárájakula occurs below in D., and in other Mount Abu inscriptions.

conth-east of Nadol, Desuri, which most probably is the Dêvasûrî of this inscription; of the other villages I can find no traces on the map.

After the imprecatory verses the inscription (in lines 33 and 34) has the words 'this is the own hand (i.e. sign-manual) of the Mahārājaputra (or Mahārāja's son), the illustrious Kirtipāla,' and the statement that this grant was written by Subhamkara, the san of Dāmôdara and grandson of the Kāyastha Sôdha of the Naigama lineage.

The possible equivalents of the date, for the purnimenta and amenta month Śravana, would be ---

for the Chaitradi Vikrama year 1218 current: Saturday, the 25th June A.D. 1160, and Monday, the 25th July A.D. 1160 (when the 5th tithi of the dark half ended 9 h. 8 m. after mean sunrise);

for the Chaitrádi Vikrama year 1218 expired: Friday, the 14th July A.D. 1161, and Sunday, the 13th August A.D. 1161 (when the 5th tithi of the dark half ended 3 h. 16 m. after mean sunrise);

for the Kirttikiidi Vikrama year 1218 expired: Tuesday, the 3rd July A.D. 1162 (when the 5th tithi of the dark half ended 11 h. 58 m. after mean sunrise), and Thursday, the 2nd August A.D. 1162.

From this it will be seen that the given date is correct only for the amanta month Śravana of the current Chaitrādi Vikrama year 1218, and therefore apparently corresponds to Monday, the 25th July A.D. 1160. As current Vikrama years are quoted very rarely, this result is not perhaps quite free from suspicion; but I can see no valid reason to question the authenticity of the wording of the original date.

TEXT.3

First Plate.

- 1 Om³ || Svasti || Śriyai⁴ bhavamtu vò dêvâ |⁵ Vra(bra)hma-Śrîdhara-Śamkarāḥ sadā virāgavam-
- 2 to yê 5 Jinê jagatî visrutêh || 1 *Sâkambharî-nêma-purê pur=ûsî 6ch-chhrî-Châha-
- 3 man-anvaya-labdhajanmâ | râjâ mahârâjanat-âmhriyugmaḥ khyâtó=vanau Vakpa-
- 4 tirája-námá | 2 Naddúle⁷ samabhút-tadíya-tanayah érî-Lakshmanô bhúpatihs=8 ta-
- 5 smát-sarvvaguṇ-ànvità nṛipa-varaḥ śrî-Sôbhit-âkhyaḥ⁹ sutaḥ | tasmāch-chh[r*]î-Va(ba)lirāja-nâ-
- 6 ma-nripatih paśchât-tadiyô mahî-khyâtô Vigrahapâla ity-abhidhayâ râjyê pitrivyô-bhavat || 3
- 7 Tasmát-tívramahápratápa-taranih putró Mahémdrő-bhavat-taj-jách-srí-Anahilladéva-nyipatéh srí-Jém-
- 8 drarájah sutah | tasmâd=durddharavairikumjaravadha-próttâlasimh-ôpamah satkirttyâ dhaval[i]krit-â-

With reference to the above I may state that Mr. Ojha has sent me a rubbing of a grant (engraved on one side of one plate only) of the Mahárájádhirája Kélhanadéva, which is dated in line 1: samuat 1928 varshé Julié*]shtha vadi 12 Sómé. This date also works out ratisfactorily only for the amásta Jyaishtha of the current Chaitrádi Vikrama year 1223, for which it corresponds to Monday, the 7th June A.D. 1165.

² From two rubbings supplied to me by Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha.

Denoted by a symbol. Metre: Slôka (Anushtubh).

^{*} These signs of punctuation are superfluous.

* Metre of verses 8-5 : Sårdûlavikridita.

* Read bhilpstiss.

Metre of verses 8-5: Sårdûlavikridita.
 Read bhûpatis.
 The inscription C. has Sóbhita; but as A. has Sóhiya, I dolavy alter the Sóbhita of the present inscription to Sóbhita.

- 9 khilajagach-chrî-**Âśarājô** nripaḥ || 4 Tat-putrô nijavikramārjitam-¹ mahārājyapratāpôdayô
- 10 yô jagraha jaya-śriyam raṇa-bharê vyâpâdya Saurāshṭrikān l śauchāchāra-vichāra-dāna-vasatir-Naddū-
- 11 la-náthó malan-sainkhyótpádita-víravrittir-amalah śri-Alhanô² bhúpatih || 5
 Anèna³ rájūá jana-visrutê-
- 1º na [4 Râshţrauḍa-vamśaja var-Āṇahulasya putrî [Annalladevir-iti śila-vivêka-yuktâ [4] Râmêna vai Janakaj-êva vi-
- 13 vâhit=âsau || 6 Âbhyâm⁵ jâtâḥ su-putrâ jagati vara-dhiyô rûpa-sauindarya-yuktâḥ |⁴ sastraiḥ sâstraiḥ praga-
- 14 lbháh pravara-guṇagaṇâs-tyâgavantah su-śîlâh i jyêshthah śrî-Kêlhaṇ-âkhyns-tad+ anu cha Gajasimhas-tathâ Kî-
- 15 rttip**âlô l³** yadvan-nêtrâṇi Śambhôs-tripurushavad=ath=âmî janô vamdaniyāḥ | (||) 7 ⁶Madhyâd=amîshâm pari-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 16 vára-náthó shihê(jyê)shihò tugajah kshôṇi-talê prasiddhah | krita[ḥ*] kumarō nijarájya-dhárî
- 17 śrî-Kelhaņa[ḥ*] sarvva-guṇṇir=upêtaḥ [(||) [8*] Âbhyâin râjakula-śri-Âlhaṇadêva- | 7 kumâra-śrî-Kélha-
- 18 nadêvâbhyâm râjaputra-śrî-Kîrttipâlasya prasâdê datta-Naddûlâ1-prativa(ba)ddha-dvâdaśa-grâmâni8 ||
- 19 Tatô râjaputra-śrî-Kirttipâlaḥ l⁹ sam 1218 Śrâvaṇa-vadi 5 Sômê ll adyê[ha*] śrî-Naddûlê snâtvâ dhô(dhau)-
- 20 ta-vâsasî paridhâya tilâkshatakuśa-pranayinati dakshina-karati kritvâ dêvân udakêna saintarpya l va(ba)-
- 21 halatamatimirapatalapátana-patíyasô niþséshapátakapamka-prakshálanasya divákarasya
- 22 pûjâm vidhâya | charâchara-gurum Mahêsva(śva)ram namaskritya | hutabhuji hômadravy-âhutîr-ddatvâ¹⁰ nalinî-
- 23 dalagatajalalava-taralam jîvîtavyam=âkalayya (aihikam pârachi(tri)kam tha(cha) phalam=amgîkritya svapunya-
- 24 yaśó-bhivriddhayê śâsanain prayachchhati yathâ || Śrî-Naddûláigrāmê l śrî-Mahâvîra-jinâya Naddûlâi-li
- 25 dvádaša-grámôshu grámam prati dra 2 dvau drammau snapana-vilôpana-dípa-dhúp-ópabhôgártham | śásanê
- 26 varsham prati Bhâdrapada-mâsê chamdrârkkakshifi-kâla[m] yâvat pradattan || Naddûlâlgrâma | Sûjêra | Darijî [!*]
- 27 Kavilada | Sônanam | Môrakara | Haravamdam [l*] Madada | Kanasuvam | Dévasûrî | Nadada [l*] Maŭvadî |
- 28 êvam grâ¹⁹ 12 êtêshu dvâdaśa-grâmêshu sarvvadzâpi asmâbhiḥ sàsanê dattau j êbbir-grâmair-adbunâ samvatsa-

¹ Read "marjita -.

² Read - Alhano.

Metre: a mixture of Upêndravajrâ and Vasantatilaka.

⁴ These signs of punctuation are superfluous.

⁵ Metre: Sragdharâ. The last Pâda does not contain the proper cosuras.

^{*} Metre: Urajati. 7 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

Wrong for -gramah. The whole sentence which ends here is ungrammatical.

All the signs of punctuation in lines 19-23 are superfluous. In some places below the rules of saidhi have not been observed.

Read eddatted.

¹¹ Read o/df .

- 29 rálagitvál sarvvad-fpi varsham prati Bhådrapadê dåtavyau i atah ûrddh[v*]am kén ápi paripamthaná na karttavyá i
- 20 ²Asmad-vanišė vyatikranitė yō-nyah kò-pi bhavishyati [[*] tasy-aham kari lagno³ na lopya[in*] mama šasanam [[[9*] Shashthi[in]⁴ va-
- 31 rsha-sahasrâni svarggô tishṭhati dâyakaḥ | âchchhèttâ da=ânuma[m]tâ cha tâny êva narakami vasêt || [10*] Va(ba)hubhir-vasudhâ

Second Plate: Second Side.6

- 33 Sva-lmstő-ynin mahárájaputra-śrî-**Kîrttipálasya II** Naigamányaya-kâyastha-Sôḍha-naptà Śubhainkaraḥ I
- 34 Dâmôdara-sutð=lékhi⁷ sásanam dharmma-sásanam || [12*] Mamgalam mahásrib ||

C.— SUNDHÂ HILL INSCRIPTION OF CHÂCHIGADÊVA; [VIKRAMA-]SAMVAT 1319.

This inscription is on two stones which were found on the Sundhâ Hill, about 10 miles north of Jaswantapura in the Jaswantapura district of the Jödhpur State of Råjputâna.⁸ I edit it from rubbings, kindly placed at my disposal by Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha.

The first stone contains 26 lines of writing which covers a space of 3' 3" broad by 1' 71" high, the second 24 lines which cover a space of 2, 10" broad by 1' 5" high. The size of the letters is about 1" on the first stone, and between 3 and 10 on the second. The inscription was carefully written by Nâmvasimha, a son of the physician Vijayapâla, and well engraved by Jisaravi, a son of the satradhara Jisapala, and is in a state of perfect preservation. The characters are Nagari, and the language is Sanskrit. Excepting two prose passages at the bottom of either stone which record the names of the author, the writer and the engraver, the date samuat 1319 in line 48, and another prose passage, numbered as a verse, in lines 35 and 36, the text is in verse, the total number of verses (including the prose passage counted as a verse) being 59. As regards orthography, the sign for v denotes both v and b; the palatal sibilant is used for the dental in śasya-, 1. 16, śravamti, 1. 19, sahaśramśu- (for sahasramśu-), 1. 22, śalila-, 1. 23, śitah, 1. 25, and śitamśu- (for sitamśu-), 1. 37; kh and sh are confounded in mayasha- (for mayakha-), 1. 10, and pîyâkha- (for piyûsha-), l. 41; the i of sri is left unchanged before the initial vowel of a proper name in śri-Aśaraja-, l. 21, śri-Udayasimha-, l. 35, and śri-Aparajiteśa-, l. 43; chehh is written for chh in chchhalina, 1. 7, and chchhayaya, 1. 8; and the sign of avagraha is employed in Saindord 5rka, 1. 16, and in four other places. The language is generally correct and plain, but there are one or two passages about the exact meaning of which I am still doubtful. I especially do not understand verse 12, which seems to allude to some legend unknown to me, in which the creator weighs the sun and the moon, apparently using the Ganges as a balance. Moreover, I am not sure about the meanings of the word srikari, which occurs in verses 19 and 59, and aupyadguru in verses 15, 26, and 27. To judgo from the context in verse 59 (śrikari-saptakavoidi-), the former may denote some kind of musical instrument; and as a gupyadguru must be

¹ Read 'ral=lagitva, 'commencing from the current rear.'

² Metre of this verse and the rest : Sloka (Anush(ubh).

Read ligndesmi. Read shashtim.

Bead naraké.

⁶ Of the three lines on this side only a transcript has been sent to me by Mr. Ojha.

⁷ The passive Aorist is used wrongly here for the active alckhit.

^{*} I owe this information to Mr. Ojha.

^{*} From the St. Petersburg Dictionary I see that setkert occups in the Uttamacharitrakathanakam, 1. 284 (Sitzungsberichte der K. Preuss. Akademie, 1884, Part I. p. 282), where Prof. Weber has suggested for it the manning 'a female singer.

something on which a golden kumbha and a golden kalasa can be placed, the word perhaps denotes a temple generally or a particular temple. Of rare words or words employed in an unusual way we may note kell, 'the earth,' in verse 6, bhasphata, 'a mushroom,' in verse 16, the feminine yugali, 'a pair,' in verse 18, and tâmbûliya, 'an areca-nut,' in verse 21; bandhu and bûndhava denote, a brother' in verses 24, 26, and 20; and a consin is described as pitrivyajataya bûndhava, i.e. 'a brother in consequence of being born from a paternal uncle,' in verse 9.

The inscription in the prose passage at the bottom of the first stone and in verse 59 is styled a prasasti. It was composed by the (Jaina) sari Jayamangala (Jayamangalacharya), who belonged to the Brihad-gachehha and was a disciple of Râmachandra, himself a disciple of Dêvâchârya. And its primary object is to glorify the Châhamâna chief Châchigadeva, during whose reign it was composed, and for whom it furnishes a date in the month of Vaisakha of the [Vikrama] year 1319, falling in about A.D. 1262. Fortunately, the author has used the occasion to give a cologistic account of the Châhamânas of Naddûla generally, which is of considerable interest.

Verses 1-3 pray the moon on Sambhu's (i.e. Śiva's) forehead and (Śiva's consort) Pārvatī or Chaṇḍikā to grant continuous good fortune and happiness. Verse 4 then records that formerly there was the hero Chāhamāna, a source of joy to the great Rishi Vatsa. In his lineage there were:—

- (1.) The lord of Naddûla, king Lakshmana, who was a Sakambharl prince (vv. 5 and 6).
- (2.) His son Sôbhita (v. 7; the Sôhiya and Sôbhita of A. and B.). He took away the glory of the lord (or lords) of the mountain Arbuda.
- (3.) His son Balirāja (vv. 7 and 8). He defeated an army of Muñjarāja, i.e. the Paramāra Vākpatirāja II. Amēghavarsha of Mālava, for whom we possess dates from A.D. 974 to 993.
- (4.) His paternal uncle's son Mahindu (v. 9).—He is the Mahêndra of A. and B., the son of Vigrahapâla whose name is here omitted. He most probably is identical with the Mahêndra or Mahîndra (?) mentioned under No. 53 of my Northern List as a contemporary of the Râshṭrakûṭa Dhavala of Hastikuṇḍi, whose inscription is dated in A.D. 997.
 - (5.) His son Aśvapála (vv. 10 and 11; omitted in A. and B.).
- (6.) His son Ahila (vv. 12 and 13; likewise omitted in A. and B.). He defeated an army of the Gûrjara king Bhîma, i.e. the Chaulukya Bhîmadêva I. of Anahilapâṭaka.
- (7.) His paternal uncle Anahilla (vv. 14-17; in A. and B. described as the son of Mahêndra). He also defeated the king Bhima (Bhîmadêva I.); took Śākambhari; and slew

¹ See verses 26 and 27.

² He is described as irthart-saptaka-vádis which, as intimated above, appears to mean 'playing the seven trikarts.'

² The exact date (in verse 57) is the akshaya-trittyd or third tithi of the bright half of the month Madhava (Vaisakha) of the [Vikrama] year 1319, given both in words and in figures. The date does not admit of verification; its possible equivalents would be the 4th April A.D. 1261, the 23rd April A.D. 1262, and the 12th April A.D. 1263.

According to the inscription of Luntigadeva treated of under D. the hely Vachchha (Vatsa) brought about the creation of the Châhumâna family. And according to verse 12 of the Bijoli rock inscription of Sômesvara (No. 154 of my Northern List) Sâmanta, the first Châhumâna chief, was born in the Vatsa gôtra at Ahichchhattrapura.

t The original has Śākambharindra. It will be seen below under D. that Lakshmans most probably had the epithet Śākambhari-mānikya, 'the jewel of Śākambhari.' Mr. Ojha tells me that a Chāhamāns even now will be addre-sed as Sāmbharirāja, 'Sākambhari prince.'

^{*} I.e. Mount Åbû. With the expression Himidri-bhara of the original as a name of the mountain Arbuda compare Himauatah sunuh in the unpublished Vasantgadh inscription of Varnalata; Himagiri-tanayah in Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 234, v. 5; and Gaurtvaratratura-bhūdhara-sambhava above, Vol. VIII. p. 210, l. 17. The lord (or lords) of Arbuda spoken of above probably belonged to the Paramara family treated of in the Vasantgadh inscription of Pūrnapāla, above, p. 10.

(or defeated) Sāḍha, a general of the Mālava king Bhôja (i.e. the Paramāra Bhōjadêva), and the Turushka.

- (8.) His son Bâlaprasâda (vv. 18 and 19; omitted in B.). He forced the king Bhîma (Bhîmadêva I.) to release from prison a king named Krishnadêva.—This Krishnadêva most probably is the Paramâra Krishnarâja (the son of Dhandhuka¹ and grandson of (?) Dêvarâja), of whom we have two inscriptions at Bhinmâl (Śrîmâla), dated in Δ.D. 1060 and 1067 (Nos. 689 and 690 of my Northern List).
- (9.) His brother Jindurâja (vv. 20 and 21; the Jêndrarâja of A. and B.). He fought victoriously at Saṇḍēra (the modern Sanderao in the Jôdhpur State, south-west of Nadel).
- (10.) His son Prithvipala (vv. 22 and 23; omitted in B.). He defeated an army of the Gürjara king Karna, i.e. Bhîmadêva's son and successor Karna Trailêkyamalla.
- (11.) His brother Yôjaka (vv. 24 and 25; the Jôjalla of A., omitted in B.). He by force occupied Aṇahillapura (Aṇahillaphṭaka).
- (12.) His brother Âśārāja (vv. 26-30; in B. described as the son of Jêndrarāja). He pleased Siddhādhirāja, i.e. Karņa's son and successor Jayasinha Siddharāja, by the assistance which he rendered to him in the country of Mālava, but afterwards apparently was on hostile torms with him.

With the account of Âśârâja ends that part of the inscription which is on the first stone. The part on the second stone (after a symbol for ôm) begins, as if it were an independent inscription, with a verse (v. 31) praying for the blessing of Śambhu (Śiva), 'the crest of the Sugandhadri,' i.a. the mountain Sugandha, which clearly is the Sundha Hill where the inscription was found. The author then continues the genealogy by stating that Âśârâja's son was —

- (13.) Åhlådana (vv. 32 and 33; the Ålhanadeva of A. and B.). His assistance was sought by the Gürjara king, and his army put down disturbances in the mountainous part of Surashtra (giran Saurāshtrā). He built a Šiva temple at Naddūla.— We have seen above that the two inscriptions A. and B., which are of this chief's reign, are dated in A.D. 1161 and 1160. Before that time, he is mentioned (together with his son Kêlhana), apparently as a feudatory of the Chaulukya Kumārapāla, in the Kerāḍu fragmentary inscription of Kumārapāla's reign which is dated in A.D. 1153 (No. 133 of my Northern List).
- (14.) His son Kelhana (v. 34). He defeated the southern king Bhilima, and after destroying the Turushka erected a golden tôrana, 'like a diadem for the abode of the holy Sômêśa.'— For the Mahārājādhirāja Kelhana I have given above, p. 68, note 1, a date in A D. 1165. The southern king Bhilima, whom he is said to have defeated, must have been the Dêvagiri-Yâdava Bhillama, whose Gadeg inscription is dated in A.D. 1191 (No. 334 of my Southern List).
- (15.) His brother Kirtipâla (vv. 35 and 36). He defeated a Kirâtakûţa chief named Åsala, and at Kâsahrada routed an army of the Turushka. As ruler of the kingdom of Naddûla he took up his residence at Jâvalipura.— Of the places here mentioned Kirâtakûṭa is Kerâḍu, according to Bhôvnagar Inser. p. 172.3 'a small village near Hâthamo under Bâḍamera' (Bârmor) in the Jôdhpur State. Jâvalipure, to which Kîrtipâla transferred his residence, is the

¹ He apparently is the l'aramara. Dhandhu, who according to an inscription at Vimala's temple on Mount Abb which will be mentioned below, p. 81, transferred his allegiance from Bhimadeva I. to king Bhôja, the lord of Dhàrà (i.e. Bhôjadeva of Màlava).

² I understand this epithet to mean that there was a temple of the mountain Sugandha.

In line 5 of the inscription given there the name appears as Aratakapa. — According to the Rajputana-Genetteer, Vol. 11. p. 265, 'Kheraru' is about 20 miles west of Barmer.

town of Jàlor in the same State. A place named Kâsahrada has been identified by the late Prof. Bühler¹ with Kâsahrada or Kâsandhra, a village with about 400 inhabitants on the road from Dholkâ to Palitânâ, in Long. 72° 11′, Lat. 22° 19′; but the Kâsahrada of this inscription may be a different place nearer Nadol.— According to vorse 41 Kîrtipâla's daughter Rúdaladévi built two temples of Śiva at Jâvâlipura.

- (16.) His son Samarasimha (vv. 37-40). He built extensive ramparts on the Kanakachala (or 'gold hill') and founded the town of Samarapura.—This town 1 am unable to identify. Kanakachala according to Mr. Ojha is the name of the fort² of Jâlor which, he informs me, is locally known as 'Sonalgach,' and the Sauvarna-giri of Jâvâlipura I find actually mentioned in an inscription on Mount Âbû.³ In an inscription of the [Vikrama] year 1221, from which Mr. Ojha has sent me a quotation, it is called Kāñchana-gadha.—Sanarasinha clearly is the Chāha[māna*]-rāṇa[ka*]-Samarasiha, whose daughter Liladevi was the (or a) quoen of the Chaulukya Bhîmadêva 11.
- (17.) His son Udayasimha (vv. 42-46). According to the prose passage in lines 35 and 36 he ruled 'the glorious Naddúla, the glorious Javalipura, Mandavyapura, Vagbhataméru. Sürachanda, Ratahrada, Khéda, Ramasainya, Śrimála, Ratnapura, Satyapura, and other places.'— With the exception of Mandavyapura and Ratahrada the places here enumerated are easily found on the map of the Rajputana Agency (in Marwar) under the names Nadel, Jalor, Barmer, Suráchand, Kher (between Tilwára and Bálotra), Rámson, Bhínmál, Ratanpura and Sánchor. Mâṇḍavyapura is Mandor, according to the Rajputána Gazetteer three miles from Jodhpur; Ratahrada I cannot identify.-- Udayasimha's queen was Prahladanadevi, who hore to him two sons, Chachigadova and Chamundaraja. Regarding his exploits, the inscription states in a general way that he curbed the pride of the Turushka, was not to be conquered by the Gurjara kings, and put an end to the Sindhu king. He was a scholar conversant with the great works of Bharata⁶ and others, and built two Siva temples at Javalipura.— Udayasimba clearly is identical with the Maharajadhiraja Udayasimhadêya of whose reign we have three inscriptions at Bhinmâl (Nos. 697-699 of my Northern List) dated in the [Vikrama] years 1262. 1274 and 1305, corresponding to about A.D. 1205, A.D. 1218, and about A.D. 1248; and also with the Mahârâjakula Udayasinhadêva, for whom I have given a date, falling in A.D. 1249, in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 175, No. 115. He was succeeded by—
- (18.) his son⁶ Chāchigadôva (vv. 47-57). He in verse 50 is described as 'destroying the rearing Gūrjara lord Vîrama, hating the enemy Salya, taking exquisite delight in felling the shaking (or leaping) Pātuka, depriving of his colour Sanga, and a thunderbolt to the mountain—the furious Nahara.' As will be seen from this translation, the words salya, pātuka and sanga of the original must in my opinion, like virama and nahara, be taken as proper names; but of the five persons enumerated I can identify only the first. Being described as 'Gūrjara lord,' Vīrama appears clearly to be the Vāghēlā Vīramadôva, the son of Vīradhavala and elder brother of Vīsaladôva, who is reported to have been the son-in-law of Udayasinha of Jūvālipura, and

¹ See his paper on the Sukritasamktrtana of Arisimha, p. 25. For another identification of Kakahrada see above, Vol. VIII. p. 206, note 2.

² For a description of this fort which is about 800 yards in length by 400 in width, and crowns a rocky hill of an altitude of 1,200 feet above the surrounding plain, see the Rajputaina Gazetteer, Vol. II. p. 260.

¹ Line 33 of No. 1722 of Mr. Cousens' List.

⁴ See the plates of Bhimadêva II. (of A.D. 1206) in Ind. Ant. Vol. VI, p. 195, Plate ii. line I.

^{1.}e. apparently the Bharattya-natyasastra.

⁶ Udayasimba's other son Châmundarâja is not further mentioned in the inscription. He may be the Châmundarâja whose name occurs under No. 703 of my Northern List.

⁷ Šalya probably is a proper name, denoting an enemy of Lavanaprasåda, also in Ep. Ind. Vol. 1, p. 27, verse 19.—In our inscription the name may be Satrutalya; compare Prof. Eggeling's Catalogue, p. 1510.

^{*} See Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 190. Compare also the Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. 1. Part 1. p. 203, where Jabalipura has been taken to be Jabalpur.

would therefore have been the own brother-in-law of Châchigadêva. - The following verses treat of the same chief's works of piety. At Srimala he remitted cortain taxes, and at Ramasainya he granted funds for the worship of (the god) Vigrahâditya, and placed a golden cupola (kumbha) and a flag-staff (dhvaja) on the temple of (the god) Aparâjitêśa to whom at the same time be gave a silver girdle (mckhala). For the same temple he provided a hall (sala) with a car (ratha) richly decked with precious stones. Châchigadeva visited the Sugandhadri, worshipped there the goddess Châmundâ, known by the name Aghatêsvarî, and at her temple established'a mandapa which was consecrated by the Brahmans on the akshaya-tritiya of the month Vaisakha of the [Vikrama] year 1319.

I have already stated that the inscription thus for the reign of Châchigadêva yields a date in about A.D. 1262. Two other dates, of the [Vikrama] years 1333 and 1334, falling in about A.D. 1276 and 1277, are furnished for him by the two Bhinmal inscriptions Nos. 702 and 703 of my Northern List, where he is described as the Mahârājakula Châchiga or Châchigadêva.

I may add that Châchigadeva is mentioned, under the name Châcha, in line 8 of the Jödhpur inscription of Rúpâdévî, published by me above, Vol. IV. p. 312 ff. In my text of that inscription I have given the name as Châva, and a renewed examination of the impressions enables me to affirm that either this is the actual reading, or that at any rate the name would be so read in the impressions by any one not acquainted with what we have learnt now from the Sundhà Hill inscription. Knowing what I do now, I have no doubt that the intended reading is Chácha. This Chácha is called a Cháhumâna in Rûpàdêvî's inscription and described as the son of Udayasimbat and grandson of Samarasimha, which exactly fits our Châchigadeva. The inscription supplies the additional information that Châcha's wife was Lakshmidevi, and that this lady bore to him Rûpâdêvî, who became the wife of a king Têjasimha (to whom she bore a son named Kshetrasimha) and founded a well or tank in A.D. 1284, in the reign of the Mahanijakula Samyantasimhadeva.2

TEXT.3

First Stone.

- Svêtâmbhôj-âtapatram kim-u Giri-duhituh Svastaţinyâ gavâkshah kim và saukhy-asanaii vâ mahimamukhamahasiddhidevi-ganasya | trailôkyânamdahệtôh kim - uditam - anaghaia ślagbya-nakshatram-uchchaib Sambhor-bhâlasthalémduh sakritikrita.
- 2 nutih pâtu vỏ rájya-lakshmîm || 1 °Îŝasy=âmk-âvanir=anupamânamdasamdôha-mûlâ chainchadvâsôinchaladalamayî bhûshana-praudhapushyâ(shpâ) | sallavanyôdayasuphalinî Pârvvatîprêma-vallî lakshmîm pushņātv= anu-dinam=ativyakta-bhaktyā natànâm | 2 7Vikatamukuta mâdyattêja-
- 3 sâ vyômni dnityân=iya bhuvi manimayya môkhalîyâh kvanêna 1 ananurapitalilâhamsakais tràsayamtî phanipatibhuvan-âmtaś=Chamdikâ vah śriyê-stu || 3 ⁸Srînnal-**Vatsamaharshi**-harshanayanôdbhûtâmvu(bu)pûraprabha-⁹pûrvvôrvvîd h a **r a** maulimukh yasikharâlainkâra-tigmadyutih | prithvîin trâtu-
- 4 m=apâsta-daityatimirah sri-Chahamanah purâ vîrah kshîrasamudrasôdaravasôrásiprakásô-bhavat || 4 10Ratn-ávalyâm-iva nripa-tatau tat-kramê viśrutâyâm

¹ The proper relation to Udayasinhs of the Manavasinha who is mentioned in my account of Rûpâdêvî's inscription, above, Vol. 1V. p. 313, will to given below, under D.

² So the name is spelt in the inscription. The published texts of the inscriptions Nos. 704, 706 and 707 (of A D. 1282, 1286 and 1289) of my North rn List have Samvalasimhadera.

³ From a rubbing supplied to me by Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Olha.

[·] Denoted by a symbol. Metre : Sragdhara. 6 Metre : Mandakranta. 8 Metre : Sårdûlavikridith. 7 Metre : Máliui.

⁹ Originally "prable was engraved, but the sign for d has been struck out.

¹⁰ Metre of verses 5 and 6: Mandâkrântâ.

dharmmasthânaprakarakaraṇa-prâptapuṇyôtsavâyâm | śrì-Naddùl-àdhipatir-abhaval=Lakshmanô nâma

5 râjâ Lakshmîlîlâsadamsadrisâkâra- Śâkambhar-îmdrah II 5 Â pâtâlât-samarajaladhin Mamdarê yasya khadgê mushti-vyâjâd=bhujagapatinà śrinkhalên= âvava(ba)ddhah | nirumathy-êchehaih sapadi Kamalâm lilay-êddhrittya(tya) mattaś=chakrê nrittain rapita-kajakah kêlikain-

7 dhahastì samararasa-bharê Vimdhyasailàyamânê | muktîsuktîmdukâmtôjjvalaruchishu lasatkîrtti-Rêvâtaţîshu praudhânamdôpachâr-ôlvampulakatatiḥ pushkaràŋâm chehhalêna³ || 8 "Tatpitrivyajatay≃âtha vâm(bâm)dhavah śrî-Mahlmdur-ajanishta bhûpatiḥ | yat-kripâṇa-

s latikâm-upêyushâm chehhâyayâ⁵ virahitam mukham dvishâm || 9 Jajûô⁶ kâmtas=tad=anu cha bhuvas tat-tanûjô=**śvapálaḥ** kâlaḥ krûrð dvishi sucharitê pûrṇṇachamdrâyamāṇaḥ | yaḥ sandagnô na khalu tannasâ n-aiva dôshâkar-âtmâ têjô-muktah kvachid-api na yaḥ kimcha mitr-ô-

9 dayêshu || 10 ⁷Kêyûrâgranivish(aratnanikara-pròdyatprabhâḍainva(ba)ra-vyaktain saingararainga-mainḍapatalē yain vairi-lakshmîḥ śrità | vîrêshu prasritèshu têshu rajasā nîtêshu durllakshyatām lavdhò(bdhò)pāyava(ba)l-āpi nirmmala-guṇair-vaṣyā praśasy-âkritiḥ || 11 Pu-⁵

10 tras tasy=Âhila iti nripas=tanmayûsha(kha)-chchhalêna srashţâ yasya vyadhita yasasain têjasâm têlanam nu | Gamgâtêlê sasi-tapanayêr=dambhutas=chârnehêlê madhyasthâyidhruvamisha-lasatkamţakê kantukêna || 12 ⁹Gürjarādhipati-Bhîma-bhûbhujah sainya-pûram-a-

11 jayad=raṇêshu yaḥ [l*] Śainbhuvat=Tripura-sainbhavain va(ba)lain vâḍavônala iv-âinvu(bu)dhêr=jalain || 13 loSainyâkrâint-âkhilavasumatîmainḍalas-tatpitrivyaḥ śrîmân râj-âbhavad-atha jit-ârâtimallō-ṇahillaḥ l Bhîma-kshōṇîpatigajaghatâ yêna bhaguâ ran-âgrê hṛidyârth-âinbhôni-

12 dhi-Raghn-kritê ch-êha panktih khalânâm [[14 Ambhôjâni¹¹ mukhâny=ahô mrigadriśâm chamdr-ôdayânâm mudô Lakshmîr-yatra narôttamânusaraṇavyāpâra-pāramgamā [yānâni prasabham šubhâni šikhari-śrêṇ=îva gupyadguru-stômo¹³ yasya narêšvarasya tulanâm sên-âm-

vu(bu)râsêr=dadhau || 15 Urvvîruț¹³ viţapâvalamva(ba)-sugrihîharmyêshu datvâ¹⁴ drisam dhyât-âtyamtamanôharâkritmijaprâsādavâtâyanaḥ | bhûsphôţâm vanâmtarêshu vitatâny-âlôkya hâhêti-vâk sasmâr=átapavârapâni satasô yad-vairirâjavraja-

14 h || 16 Drishtah kair-na Chaturbhujah sa samarê Sâkambharîm yê va(ba)lâj=jagrah=anu jaghana Mâlava-patêr-Bhôjasya Sâdh-âhvayani || damd-âdhisam=apāra-sainyavibhavam tîvram Turushkam cha yah sâkshâd-Vishnur-asā[dha]nîya-yasasâ srimgâritâ yêna bhûh || 17 Jajñê¹⁵ bhûbhrit-tad-a-

¹ Metre: Vasantatilaka.

² Motre : Sragdhara.

³ Read chhalena.

Metre : Rathôddhata.

Bead chháyayá.

⁶ Metre : Mandakranta.

⁷ Metre : Sârdûlavikrîdita.

⁸ Metre: Mandâkrântâ.— I am unable to explain this verse. See above, p. 70.

[•] Metre : Rathôddhatâ. 10 Metre : Mandâkrântâ.

¹¹ Metre of verses 15-17: Sårdûlavikrîdita.

¹² The exact meaning of the word gupyadguru is unknown to me; it occurs again in verses 26 and 27. See bove, p. 71.

¹² Read urvefrudvio.

¹⁴ Read dattvá. 15 Metre : Mandákrántá.

- 15 nu tanayas-tasya **Vâ(bâ)laprasâdô Bhîma**-kshmâbhrich-charaṇayugalîmarddanayyājatô yaḥ l kurvan pîḍâm-ativa(ba)latayâ môchayâmâsa kârâgârâde bhûmîpatim-api tathâ **Krishṇadôv-**âbhidhânam || 18 Śrîkaryô¹ jalada-bhramam dadhur-ahô sainyê-sya sê-
- 16 várasáyátartu-pratimô samujvala-patā² marâla-śriyam | kampam vâyuvâsâ vaščna kêtu-nivahâ śa(sa)sy-ânukâram tê³ sangîtâni cha kôkilâravacha ⁴Śrimâms=tasy-âjani dvishah | 19 narapatir= . tulâm chittô tâpain vâm(bâm)dhayê Jimdurajê yah Samderê
- vairi-vrimdain vi(bi)bhêda | yasya jyôtih-prakaram=abhitô 17 srkab iva timiram drashtum śakta na bi giriguhâ-madhyam=adhyâśritâs= vidvishah kausik-âbhâ bhûshapânâin prapátě vâshptat | 20 Gachchhaintìnàin ripu-mrigadrisâm vi(bi)bhratînâm-aranyê | dûrvvââsàrair-ghanatati-tulàin
- 18 bhránitin marakatamani- śrénayô ynt-prayânô tânwû(bû)liya-bhramam=iva chirain chakrirô padmarāgāḥ || 21 Prithvîni palayitum pavitramatimān yaḥ karshukânâm karam mumehan prāpa yaśāmsi kumda-dhavalāny ânamdahridy-ânamah | Prithvîpala iti dhruvam kshiti-
- 19 patis tasy angajanm abhavat-pratyakshorunidhih⁸ sa Gûrjara-patèh Karnnasya sainy-apahah || 22 Yat-sêna kila kamadhênu-sadrisî kîrttin śra(sra)vaintî payah svachchlanidan sacharacharê-pi bhuvanê satrûms-trinîkurvatî | dharmani vatsam-iva svakîyam anagham vriddhim nayamtî
- 20 mudá kasy-ánamda-karî va(ba)bhûva na bhuvó=bhîshtam samâtanvatî || 23 ºŚrî-Yôjakô bhûpatir-asya vam(bam)diur-vivêkasaudha-prava(ba)lapratâpaḥ | śvêtátapatrêna virâjamânaḥ śakty-Âṇahillākhyapurō-pi rêmô || 24 Tyaktv⹺ sandham-udâra-kêlivipinam krîd-â-
- 21 chalê dirghikâm palyamk-âşrayanam karênushu mudâm sthânam samamtâd-api | yasy=ârikshitipâla-vâ(bâ)lalalanâh şailê vanê nirjharê sthûlagrava-şirassu samsmritim= aguh pûryêpabhukta-şriyâm || 25 11\$rî-Aşûrâja-nâmâ samajani vasudhâ-nâyakas=ta-
- 22 sya vani(bun)dhuh sáhâyyan Mālavānām bhuvi yadasi-kritam vîkshya Siddhādhirājah l tushtō dhattê sma kumbham kanakamayam-ahō yasya gupyadguru-stham tam hartum n-aiva saktah kalushita-hridayah sêshabhûpâla-vâgbhih || 26 12 Udayagirisirah-stham kim sahasrâmsu-vimvam¹³
- 23 vitata-visadakîrttêr-mûrddhni kim nu pratâpah | upari subhagatâyâ ndgatâ mamjarî kim kanaka-kalasa âbhâd-yasya gupyadguru-sthah || 27 Kanakaruchi-sarîrah salasâr-âbhirâmah phaṇipati-mahanîyasy-âvatârah sa Vishpôh | śa(sa)lilanidhi-su-
- 24 tâyâ mamdirê skamdha-dêsê dadhad-avanim-udârâm-agrimaḥ puṇya-mûrttiḥ || 28

 14Sattrâgâra-taḍâga-kânana-Haraprâsâda-vâpî-prapâ-kûp-âdîni vinirmmamê dvijajanânamdî kshamâ-mamdalê | dharmmasthâna-satâni yaḥ kila vu(bu)dha-srêpîshu

¹ Metre: Sårdålavikridita.— Originally irikiryō was engraved, but this has clearly been altered to irikaryō. The word occurs again in verse 59.—See above, p. 70.

² Read samujicala .

I Here a sign of punctuation was engraved, but has been struck out.

⁴ Metro of verses 20 and 21: Mandakranta.

^{*} The sign of avagraha is engraved at the end of the preceding line.

Metre of verses 22 and 23 : Sardinavikridita.

Read karshukanam (for the ordinary karshak 'nam'.

⁵ This word is quite clear in the rubling, but I am not sure that it is correct. Perhaps the intended reading way be pratyaksh6-mbunidhin.

Metre: Upajāti. 10 Metre: Śārdālavikridita.

¹³ Metre of verses 27 and 28 : Malint.

¹⁴ Metre of verses 29 and 30 : Sårdúlavikridita.

¹¹ Metro : Sragdhara.

¹³ Read sahasramiu-bimbam.

- 25 kalpadrumah kas-tasy-éindutushârasaila-dhavalain stótuin yasah kövidah || 29 Svétâny-éva yasâinsi tumgaturaga-stômah si(si)tah subhruyain chamchanmauktikabhûshanâni dhavalâny-uchchaih samagrâny-api | prêmálâpa-bhavain smitain cha visadam subhrâ-
- 26 ni vastrankasām vrimdān-îti nripasya yasya pritanā Kailāsa-lakshmīm śritā || 30 Prašastir=iyam Vri(bri)hadgachchhīya-śrî-Jayamanigalāchārya-kritih || Bhishag-Vijayapāla-putra-Nāmvasimhēna likhitā | Sūtra-Uisapāla-putra-Jisaraviņā utkirmā ||

Second Stone.

- 27 || Om³ || ¹Jaṭâ-mûlð Gaingâprava(ba)lalaharîpûrakuhanâ-samunmîlachehbatraprakara³ iva namrêshu nripatâin | pradâtum śrâ-Śainbhuḥ šakalabhuvan-âdhîsvanatayâ tayâ vâ dêyâd=vaḥ śubham=iha Sugamdhâdri-mukuṭaḥ || 31 °Âśārāja-kshitipatanayaḥ śrā-
- 28 mad-Âhlādan-áhvô jajñô bhûbhrid bhuvana-viditas: Cháhamánasya vainsô l śri-Naddûlê Śivabhavana-krid-dharmmasarvasva-včttô yat-sáháyyain pratipadam ahô Gűrjjaréśaś=chakâmksha || 32 7Chainchatkêtakachainjaka-pravilasattálitamálágurusphűrjjachchainda-
- 29 nanálikérakadalidrákshámra-kamrô girau ! Sauráshtró kutilógrakanitakabhidátyuddámakirttés-tadá yasy ábhúd-abhimána-bhásuratayá sépácharánáni ravah || 33 **Srímáins tasy-áingaja iba ngipah Kölhanó dakshinásádhís-ódanichad-Bhili-
- 30 ma-nripatôr mânahrit-sainyasindhuḥ | nirbhidy-ôchchaiḥ prava(ba)la-kalitain yas -Turushkain vyadhatta śr?Sômêśâspadamukuṭavat-tôraṇain kanchanasya || 34 Bhrât-âsya prava(ba)lapratāpa-nilayaḥ śrî-Kîrttipālô-bhavad-bhû-nâthaḥ pratipakshapârthivachamûdâv-âmvu(bu)vâh-ô-
- 31 pamah | yat-khadgâmvu(bu)nidhan hat-arikarinan kumbhasthalibhyah ksharan= muktanam nikara marala-lalitam dhatta sma dhar-asrayah || 35 Ya durddamta-Kiratakuta-nripatim bhittva sarair=Asalam tasmin-Kasahrado¹⁰ Turushka-nikaram jitva rana-pramgana | sri-Javali-
- 32 purė sthitim vyarachayan=Naddūlarājy-ĉśvaraś chintāratna-nibhah samageavidushān niḥsîmasainy-âdhipaḥ ll 36 ¹¹Śrî-Samarasimhadevas=tat-tanayaḥ kshôṇimamḍal-âdhipatiḥ l Imdra iva vivu(bu)dhahriday-ânamdî purushōttamô Hariyat || 37 Prākāraḥ¹³ Kanakā-
- 33 chalo virachitô yên=éha puṇy-âtmanâ nânâyamtramanôjūn-kôshṭa(shṭha)katatir-vidyâdharîsîrshavân [1 *] kim Śéshaḥ phaṇavrimdamêdura-tannr vakshaḥsthalê vâ bhuvô hâraḥ kim bhramaṇa-śramād=uḍu-gaṇaḥ kim v=aisha bhêjô sthitim || 38 13 Kamala-vanam=iv=êdam vaprasîrshâli-dam-
- 34 bhân-nikhilavipuladêśaśrî-samâkarshaṇâya | likhitaviśadavimduśrēṇivan-mattavairikshitipativiphalâjistēma-samkhyānimittani || 39 Tēlayāmāsal¹ yaḥ svarṇṇair-ātmānam sēma-parvaṇi | ārāma-ramyam Samarapuram yaḥ kṛitavān-atha || 40
- 35 16Śrî-Kirttipālabhûpati-putrî Jāvālipuravarê chakrê l srî-Rûdaladêvî Śivamaindirayugalam pavitra-matih || 41 Śrî-Samarasimhadêvasya namdanah prava(ba)-

4 Metre : Sikharini.

¹ I.e. sútradhdra-; compare the same abbreviation e.g. in Ind. Ant. Vol. XI, p. 243, 1, 27, and above, Vol. 111, p. 304, 1, 5.

² Read °n=6t°. Denoted by a symbol.

⁵ Read ^ochchhattraprakara.
⁶ Metre : Mandakranta.
⁷ Metre : Sardûlavikrîdita.

^{*} Metre : Mandakranta. * Metre of verses 35 and 36 : Sardalavikridita.

¹⁰ Here the a of the second syllable is (before hr) treated as a short vowel; see Ind. Studien, Vol. VIII.
p. 226.

Metre: Åryå. 12 Metre: Śârdûlavikridita.

¹² Metre : Malini. 10 Metre : Sloka (Anushtubh).

Metre of verses 41 and 42: Arya (pathyd and adi-vipuld).

- lasaurya-ramaniyah 1 Śri-**Udayasimha-**bhûpatir-abhût-prabhà-bhâsvad-upamânah | | 42 *Śri**Nadd**û-
- 36 la-śriJávalipura-Mámdavyapura-Vágbhaţamēru-Sûrāchamda-Rāţa h ra da-K h ē ḍ a-Rāmasainya-Śrimāla-Ratnapura-Satyapura-prabhṛiti-désânām nyam=adhipatiḥ || 43 Śēshaḥā stötuṃ-iva prarūdha-rasanābhāraḥ samamtād abhūt kshirāvdhi(bdhi)ḥ pariravdhu(bdhu)m-uddhura-bhv-
- 37 jah kallolamālā-mishāt | drashtum ch-ānimish-ākshipamkajavanö Vāstõhpatirati-yasya tāmb visvasrā-hridayasya hāvalatikām kirttim sitāmis-ūjvalāmb || 44 7Srā-Pralha(hlā)danadēvi rājūi yasy-āmgajam prasūtē sma | śrā-Chāchigadēv-āhvam tath-aiva Chamumdaraj-ākhyam || 458
- 38 PDhìròdattus Turushkudhi pa-madadalano Gürjaremdrair-ajâyah sêvâyâtakshitisochitakarana-patuh Siindhuruj-ânitakô yah t proddâmanyâya-hêtur Bharatamukhumahâgramtha-tatvârthavêttâ¹⁰ śrîmaj-Javali-samjño¹¹ puri Sivasadanadvaindvakartta kritajûah || 46
- 39 ¹²Tatpat(ödayasaila-bhànur-anaghapròddámadharmakriyà-nishnàtah kamaniyarûpa-nilayô dân-êsvarah saprabhah | sanmyah sûra-siromanis-cha sadayah sàkshàd=iv Endanh svayam srimàn¹³ Chachigadéva êva jayati pratyaksha-kalpadrumah || 47 Bhrûbhanigéna
- 40 bhayanikarêna vijîta-pratyarthibhûmîpatih śrîmân¹³ Châchigadeva êva tanutê nievighna-vrittim bhuvan | dvaijihvyam vidadhâtu pamaga-patir-vakram varaho mukham kûrmê nakra-tatim karîmdia-nivahah samghâta-sausthyam param || 48 Mêroh¹⁴ sthairyam vachana-rachanam Vâ-
- 41 kpatér yasya tulyati¹⁵ prithyibhâr-ôddharaṇam=asamain pannagêiidr-ânushamgi / sâkshâd Râmaḥ kim=ayam athavâ pữrṇṇa-pìyūkha(sha)rašmiś-chimtâratnain praṇayini janê dêva êv nisha tasmât || 49 leSphūrjad-Vîrama-Gūrjarêsa-dalanê yah satru-Salyam dvishanis-chanichat-Pátu-
- 42 ka-pàtanaikarasikalı Samgasya rang-âpahalı | ¹⁷unmâdyan-Nahar-âchalasya kuliéâkâras trilòkîtala-bhrâmyatkirttir-asêshavairidalanôdagrapratâp-ôlvanalı || 50 **Śrîmâlé** dvijajánuvâtikakara-¹⁸tyàgî tathâ Vigrahâdityasy-â-
- 43 pi clas Ramasainya-nagarê nityârchchan-ârthapradah | prôttuingê-py-Aparâjitêsabhayanê sauvarnnakumbhadhyaj-ârêpî rûpyajamêkhalâ-vitaranas-tasy-niva dêvasya yah || 51 Chakrê srî-Aparâjitêsa-bhayanê sâlâ tath-âsyâm rathah Kailâ-
- 44 sa-pratimas-trilokakamalalanikâra-ratnochchayah | yêna kshôni-purandarêna krîtinâm= ananda-sanivittayê bhâgyain vâ nijam êva parvata-tulân nitan samanitâd-api || 52 Karnnó dâna-ruchir-Va(ba)liś-cha sukritî slâghyō Dadhîchis tathâ hridyah ka-
- 45 lpataruḥ prakâmamadhur-âkâras-cha chiùitâmaṇiḥ [śrîmach-Chāchigadéva-dâna-muditâs (an-nâma grilma(lṇa)inti yat-tat-kîrttêr api nûtanatvam=abhavad-

¹ The meaning intended apparently is 'by his splendour like the sun' (prabhaya bhasvad-upamah).

² The prose passage which here begins is counted as a verse in the original.

⁵ Here a sign of punctuation was engraved, but has been struck out again.

⁶ Read sitäms-dijvalam.

⁷ Metre Arya.

^{*} The numeral 5 is engraved at the commencement of the next line.

Metre: SragdharA.

¹⁰ Rend -tattvårtha".

¹¹ Originally -ผลทั่งก็ดังการสทั่งนี้รั was engraved.

¹² Metre of verses 47 and 48 : Sardûlavikrîdita.

¹³ Rend srimams · Cha". Metre: Mandikranta.

¹⁵ Here a sign of punctuation was engraved, but has been struck out again.

¹⁶ Metre of verses 50-54 : Sårdålavikridita.

¹⁷ Here originally a full stop was engraved.

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¹⁸ The letter i of vatika has perhaps been struck out; the exact sense of dvijajanurātika is not clear to me.

bhômîbhujám sadmasu || 53 Sphûrjjannirjhara-jhamkritênal subhagam tat kêtakînâm yanam misribhûtam/anêka-

- (i) kamrakadalî-vriindêna dhattê ştra yaḥ l âmrânân vipinam cha dêvalalanâvakshêruha-sparddhay êv-êdyatprandhaphalâvalî-kavachitain jamvû(bû)vanên-âmchitain (l 54 Marau² Mêrôs-tulyas-tridasalalanâ-kêlisadanam Sugamdhādrir-nâmâtarani-
- 17 karasanıâlıa-subhagah | nripên Eindrên-êva prasrimaraturanigéehehayakhuraprakaniprérvvîpi(hani ratirasa-vasât têna dadrisê || 55 Tan-mûrddhni tridasêndrapûjita-padàinbhéjadvayán dévatân Châmundâm=Aghatêsvar-iti viditâmabhyarchehitân pûrvvajaih |
- 48 natv-ábhyarchchya naréšvaró-iha vidadhê-syâ maindirê maindapani kridatkininarakinnarîkalarav-ônmâdyanmayûrîkulan || 56 Samvat 1319 [I*] Trayódasasataikônavimsatau mási Mādhavė l chakrê skshayatritîyâyâm pratishthâ maindapê dvijaih || 57
- 49 *Sampal-lábhain ghatayatu subhain kumbhí-vaktró Ganésah siddhim déyádabhimatatamáni Chamdikâ châru-mûrttih i kalyánáya prabhayatu satám dhénuvaeggah prithivyátu rájá rájyam bhajatu vipulam svasti déva-dvíjébhyah ii 58 Sa⁶ śrikarisaptakavádi-Dé-
- 50 våchåryasya šishyö çjani Râmachaindrah | sûrir-vinêyô Jayamaingalô çsya prašastim-êtâni sukritî vyadhatta || 59 Bhishagvara-Vijayapála-putréna Nâmvasîhêna7 likhitâ || Sûtradhâra-Jisapála-putréna Jisaravin-ötkirnnā ||

D.— MOUNT ÂBÚ INSCRIPTION OF LUNTIGADÉVA; [VIKRAMA-]SAMVAT 1377.

This inscription is on a stone which is built into the wall outside the porch of the Achaléscara temple on Mount Âbû. A translation of it was given, about eighty years ago, by H. H. Wilson in Asiatic Researches, Vol. XVI. p. 285 ff.8 My account of its contents is based on impressions kindly sent to me by Prof. Hultzsch, who had received them from Mr. Cousens.9 I mainly treat of the inscription here in order to give the true names of the chiefs who are mentioned in it, and to show the connection of these chiefs with those of the preceding inscriptions. The published translation long ago led me to suspect that this record also belonged to the Châhamina family of Naddûla; I am able to prove now that such is really the case.

The stone contains 32 lines of writing which covers a space of about 1' 11" broad by 1' 4" high. Portions of the first ten and the last three lines and some of the final letters of nearly all lines are entirely gone or defaced. The characters are Nagari, and the language is somewhat incorrect Sanskrit. Up to nearly the end of line 29 there are 36 verses, forming a prasasti which was composed by a certain Mahidhara; 10 the rest seems to be all in prose.

After three verses, for the greater part illegible, in which the blessing of certain divine beings is invoked, the author proposes to celebrate repairs made at the Achalésvara temple, and to give the lineage of the person who made them. He then (in verses 6-10) records that, when the solar and lunar races had come to an end, the hely Vachehha (i.e. Vatsa) brought about the creation of a new race of warriors, the Châhumâna¹¹ race, and that in it there was a personage named Sindhurâja, ¹² who conquered all other families.

- ¹ Originally -jhāinkritāna was engraved.

 ² Metre : Šikhariņi.
- Metre: Śardulavikridita. Metre: Śloka (Anushtubh). Metre: Mandakrauta.
- * Metre: Upajati.- Here, as in verse 19, artkirt' was originally engraved.
- Read *simhona, as in line 26.

 8 See my Northern List, No. 256.
- In Mr. Cousens' List the inscription is No. 1944. 10 The original has Mahadharana.
- 11 The name is not preserved here, but the family is called Chahuminanraya in verse 17.
- ¹² The original has Sidhurdjah i in the Translation the name is Sindhuputra. The name Sindhurdja does not occur elsewhere in the Chahamana family. I suspect it to have been wrongly given here by the author instead & Simharaja.

Then there came Lakshmana, who by his irresistible valour acquired part of the earth. In the mutilated verse 12, which together with verse 11 treats of this chief, the word Naddůla is distinctly legible, as well as Šākambharî; and it is certain that Lakshmana is described in the verse as king of Naddůla, and highly probable that he is spoken of as Šākambharīmanikya, 'the jewel of Šākambharī.' After him, verse 13 mentions 'his son' Balirāja,' and Balirāja's 'son,' whose name I read as Sôhī,' regarding this to be another form of the name Sōhiya (Sōbhita, Šōbhita) of the preceding inscriptions. According to the latter, Sōhiya was takshmana's son, and his son again was Balirāja; the author of the present inscription has ceroneously transposed the two names. Verses 14-18 then enumerate Māhīndu,' Jindurāja,' Āśarāja, Ālhaṇa, Kirtipāla and Samarasimha. From what we know already from the other inscriptions, this is the line, from father to son, of the Châhamânas of Naddůla from Mahîndu to Samarasimha, except that, between Mahîndu and Jindurāja, Aṇahilla, the son of the former and father of the latter, has been omitted.—So far our inscription tells us nothing of importance that is new.

Samarasinha, according to verse 19, had two sons, of whom the one called Udayasinha, who also is already known to us from the inscription C., succeeded him in the government. Udayasinha's elder brother was Mānavasinha (v. 20); his son was Pratāpa (v. 21), and his son Vijada, also named Dašasyandana (v. 22). This chief married Nāmalladėvi (v. 23), who bore to him four sons—Lāvanyakarņa, Luṇḍha, Lakshmana, and Lūṇavarman (v. 24), of whom the eldest became the ruling chief. When Lâvanyakarṇa died, he was succeeded by the next brother, whose name in verse 26 is clearly Luṇṭigadēva, in verse 28 Luṇṭiga, in verse 30 Luṇḍhāgara, and in the prose passage in line 29 Lūṇṭāgara. Luṇṭiga conquered and ruled 'all countries,' particularly Chandrāvatī and the divine territory of Arbuda (Arbuda-dicyadišam, v. 27). On the mountain Arbuda he set up images of himself and his queen, and carried out repairs at the temple of Achaléšvara. As a grant to the temple, he moreover gave the village of Heṭhunjī (v. 33) for the perpetual worship of the god.

From the prose passage which follows, and which is more or less illegible, we learn that in the year 1377, on Monday, the 8th of the bright half of Vaiśākha, in the Kshaya-samvat sara, Luntiga, described as the Mahārājakula, the glorious Luntagara, resided at [Vū ?]hundhi which belonged to Chandravati. 10 This date regularly corresponds, for the expired Kārttikād

[?] The Translation, after Lakshmana, mentions "the hero, named Manikya, whose distinguished capital wa Sakaobhari;" but this is erroneous.

² The Translation has Adhirâja instead.

³ The second half of the verse, part of which is very indistinct, in my opinion is: Sôht-samjūa[s=ta]te vamté sôht bhûmau hi tat-suta[h].—The name Sôht occurs above, Vol. VIII. p. 220, l. 13.

^{*} The original actually has Mahidu.

⁵ The Translation has Sindhurajā, Kulaviverddhana, Prabhurasa Rājā (derived from the actual reading prabhura Āsarāja), Dandana (for Ālhaņa), Kirtipāla and Samarasinha.

[•] According to the Translation Manuvasiniha was Udayasiniha's son; but this is a mistake. The origina text, after mentioning Udayasiniha, clearly has: yô vai parô dána-gunair=garishthas-tasy=ágrajô Mánavasiniha námá.

⁷ I.e. Daśaratha. The original text of verse 22 is: Tas μ dtemjó \$pû[r]vagun-aidhivása [a]st(st)d=Daśasyam dana-náma[dhá(dhe)?]yaḥ ḥ**] va(ha)sá(hlá)ra iŋdni tu Vtjadó yó (yai=)chatvári rójydya Harêḥ prasadó + (n). I shall show below that the chief here spoken of undoubtedly was named Ftjada. The name Daśasyandan (Daśaratha) may have been given to him because, like Râma's father Daśaratha, he, according to the account her given, had four sons.—Compare above, Vol. VIII. p. 215, v. 18.

[&]quot; The reading of the first syllable of this name is not absolutely certain here.

Above, Vol. VIII. p. 222, line 28, and in an unpublished **Lount Abu inscription (No. 1794 of Mr. Cousens List) the name is spelt Héthaumjt.

Vikrama year 1377, to Monday, the 6th April A.D. 1321, when the 8th tithi of the bright half of Vaisakha ended 17 h. 13 m. after mean sunrise; the day did fall in the Jovian year Kshaya, which according to the northern mean-sign system lasted from the 30th May A.D. 1320 to the 26th May A.D. 1321.

Of the localities mentioned, in addition to the well-known Arbuda or Mount Âbû, Chandravatl according to the Râjputâna Gazetteer, Vol. 111. p. 126, is a large place (now in ruins) on the Banâs river near the south-east border of the Sirohi State. There can be no doubt that it was taken by Luntiga from the Paramâras. Hôthunji is the small village of 'Hotamji' on Mount Âbû. Vûhundha— if this is really the name— I am unable to identify.

On Mount Abû there are at least two other inscriptions,³ of no great extent and partly illegible, of the reign of Luntigadêva, described as the Mahdrājakula, the glorious Lundhaka or Lundha(?). One is dated on Wednesday, the 8th of the dark half of Chaitra in the [Vikrama] year 1372, corresponding, so far as I can see, to Wednesday, the 17th March A.D. 1316; the other on some specified day, which I cannot make out with certainty, in the [Vikrama] year 1373. And there is a third, partly effaced inscription,⁴ which also mentions the Mahdrājakula, the glorious Lundhaka or Lunthaka, and speaks of the glorious Namaladêvi, who clearly is the Namalladêvî of the present inscription, the mother of Luntigadêva. I am not at present prepared to give a fuller account of these three inscriptions.

But I may add here that another account of some of the later Châbamânas is found in an inscription' which is on a stone at a temple—the Vimala-vasahiki, ordinarily but wrongly called Vimala Sâh's or Shâh's temple—which was founded on Mount Âbû, according to the inscription itself in the Vikrama year 1088,7 by a certain Vimala, 'an ornament of the Prágváta race,' after he had been appointed dandapati at Arbuda by the (Chaulukya) king Bhîma-dêva (I.). This inscription in lines 9-15 (verses 14-22) gives the following 'rijivali':—

There was a hero, Asarāja, by name, a moon to the lotus-flower—the Chāhuvāma, family, who was king of the town of Nadûla, (v. 14). Then there came Samarasimha; and his son was Mahanasimhabhata (v. 15). Then came Pratāpamalla; and of him was born Vijada, who ruled the Marusthalî-mandala (v. 16). He had three sons, the first of whom was the king Lūniga (v. 17). After him the text mentions Lundha (v. 18) and Lumbha (v. 19). without distinctly saying that they were his younger brothers. It then records the conquest of Arbuda (v. 20); says further that Lūniga's son was Tējasimha (v. 21); and after him eulogizes Tihunāka, to whom it wishes long life (v. 22).

The mutilated verse 23 appears to say that the glorious Lumbhaka, together with Téjasimha and Tihuna, in right manner carried on the government of the mountain Arbuda:

See my Northern List, Nos. 193, 209 and 210 (now above, Vol. VIII, p. 201).

² See above, Vol. VIII. p. 207, and the Rajputana Gazetteer, Vol. III. pp. 137 and 144.

⁸ Nos. 1907 and 1909 of Mr. Cousens' List.

⁴ No. 1908 of Mr. Consens' List.

⁵ No. 1790 of Mr. Cousens' List. I hope soon to give the text of this inscription, which is ready for publication.

⁶ Vimala sáha scems to occur first in As. Res. Vol. XVI. p. 311, note. It owes its origin to a misunder-tanding of the term Vimala-vasahiká, 'Vimala's temple,' which we find e.g. in line 8 of No. 1774 of Mr. Cousens' bist.— I may add that in line 10 of the same inscription we have the similar term Tējapāla-vasahikā, 'Tējapāla's emple.'

⁷ The date in given in verse 11: Srt-Vikramáditya-nripád=vyattie Sshtásti-yáté saradám sahasrð(sré) ! rt-Ádinátham sikharê=rbudasya nivêsi(si;tam srt-Vimalêna vamdê ".

⁸ I give all names here exactly as they are written in the original.

This may be a mi-take for Chahurana or Chahurana.

¹⁰ This is the actual spelling of the name, and is required by the metre. The same may be said of the name Cigasimha, which occurs below.

and the rest of the inscription treats of a private family, two members of which made repairs of the temple. The date given in verse 41 is Monday, the 9th of the dark half of Jyeshtha of the [Vikrama] year 1378. It corresponds to Monday, the 10th May A.D. 1322.

As regards the genealogy given in this inscription, it is curious, but of no historical importance, that it commonoes with Asaraja! (Aśaraja, Aśaraja), who was neither the founder of the family nor the father of Samarasimha who is here mentioned immediately after him. Instead of the name Manavasimha of Luntigadeva's inscription this account has Mahanasimha which must be regarded as another name of the same person; and while according to the former Vijada had four sons, according to this genealogy he had only three-Lûniga, Lundha and Lumbha. Of these, Lûniga undoubtedly is identical with the Lâvanyakarna of the other inscription,2 and Lundha with Luntiga (Lundha), while Lumbha (Lumbhaka) most probably is another name of Lûnavarman. What is new to us and of some importance, is, that by the account here given Tejasimha, who is known to us from other inscriptions, was a son of Lûniga. According to No. 261 of my Northern List Tejasimha³ was ruling in the [Vikrama] year 1387. corresponding to A.D. 1331; and there is an unpublished Mount Abû inscription of his of the [Vikrama] year 1393, corresponding to A.D. 1336. What was the exact relation of Tihunaka (Tihuna) to Tejasimha, does not appear from the Vimala temple inscription; but the matter very probably is cleared up by a statement in an inscription (No. 265 of my Northern List5) of Têiasimha's son Kanhadadeva, who was reigning at Chandravati in the Vikrama year 1394, corresponding to A.D. 1338. That inscription in lines 11-14 records four separate grants of villages Cháhumánajñátiya-rája-śri-Téjasimha, the devada-śri-Tihunaka, the raja-śri-Kânhadadêva, and the Châhumânajā(!)tîya-râja-śri-Sâmatasimha. Here Tihunaka is placed between Têjasimha and his son Kânhadadêva, who both are distinguished from him by their title of rajan. This and the order in which Tihunaka is mentioned in the Vimala temple inscription render it probable that he was Tejasimha's younger brother. And this may possibly be the meaning of the word deraded prefixed to his name, a word which seems to be etymologically connected with the Sanskrit dêvri, dêvara, used in the specific sense of 'a husband's younger brother.'6

In the Table on page 83 I have placed all the chiefs mentioned in the above in their genealogical order, and have given the dates known from inscriptions either for themselves or for the kings and chiefs with whom they are said to have come in contact. The Table will show that Lakshmana, the founder of the family, must be placed in about A.D. 925-950, and that therefore he very probably was a son of that Vâkpatirâja of Śâkambharî, who was the grandfather of the Vigraharâja? of the Harsha inscription who lived in A.D. 973. My genealogical Table of the family is not quite complete. I do not know yet how to place exactly the Mahârâjakula Sâmvatasimha or Sâmyantasimha, who is mentioned in Nos. 704-707 of my Northern List with dates from about A.D. 1282 to A.D. 1289, and—if this should be a different chief— the Râjâ Sâmatasimha, mentioned in Kânhaḍadêva's inscription of A.D. 1338.

¹ If it were not for the other inscriptions, this name might of course be taken to stand for Afvaraja.

² Compare Lûnigadêva for Lavanaprasê la in No. 249 of my Northern List.

⁸ In the original of No. 261 : No. 1940 of Mr. Cousens' List) the name is spelt Thiatimha.

⁴ No. 1947 of Mr. Councies' List.

No. 1919 of Mr. Couse s' List. The inscription has been roughly edited in Ind. Ant. Vol. II. p. 256.

⁶ In No. 1958 of Mr. Couseus' List a Dâr.:dd-ramea is mentioned. According to Ind. Ant. Vol. IV. p. 146. the Sirohi chieftains, though Chohans, are universally known by the name of their subtribe, the Devra.

¹ The foundation of the separate kingdom of Nadduls was periods connected with the disturbances which preceded Vigraharaja's reign.

Lakshmana of Naddûla (son of Vâkpatirâja of Šâkambharî). Sôhiya (Sôbhita, Vigrahapâla. Sobhita, Sohî). Balirâja. 1 Mahêndra (Mahîndu). Annhilla.8 Aśvapála. Ahila.4 Bålaprasåda, Jêndrarâja (Jindurâja). Prithivîpâla.6 Jôjalla (Yôjaka). Āśārāja (Āśarāja). Alhana (Ahladana);8 m. Annalladôvî. A.D. 1153-1161. Kélhana.9 Kîrtipâla.10 Gajasimha. A.D. 1165. Samarasimha Růdaladévî. 11 Manavasimha (Mahanasimha). Udayasimha; m. Prahladanadêvî. Lîlâdêvî; 11 m. A.D. 1205-1249. by Bhîmadêva II. (A.D. 1194-1288). Pratapa. Châchiga (Châcha); m. Lakshmîdêvî. A.D. 1262-1277. Châmundaraja. Vîjada-Dasasyandana; m. Nâmalladêvî. Rûpâdêvî; m. by Têjasimha. 13 A.D. 1284. Lávanyakarna (Lûniga). Luntigal3 (Lundha). Lakshmana. Lûnavarman (Lumbha). A.D. 1316-1321. Téjasimha. Tihunaka. A.D. 1331-1336. 1 At war with the Paramara Munjaraja (A.D. 974-93). Probably a contemporary of Dhavala of Hastikundi (A.D. 997). At war with the Chaulukya Bhimadêva I. (A.D. 1029) and the Para Kanhadadêya. Bho adeva (A.D. 1021). A.D. 1338. ⁴ At war with Bidmadêva I. b Probably a contemporary of the Paramara Krishnadeva (A.D. 1000-67). At war with the Chaulukya Karna (A.D. 1091). Contemporary of the Chaulukya Siddharaja (A.D. 1138, 1'39). ^a Contemporary of the Chaulukya Kumarapala (A.D. 1145-69). * At war with the Dôvagiri-Yadava Bhillama (A.D. 1191). "Transferred the seat of government to Javalipura. " It is impossible to say whether these were younger daughters. 12 This Tojasimha had a son named Kahatrasimha.

13 Took Chandravatî with Mount Abû from the Paramaras.

No. 10.— AMBASAMUDRAM INSCRIPTION OF VARAGUNA-PANDYA.

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Ambasamudram is situated on the northern bank of the Tamraparni river and is the head-quarters of the taluka of the same name in the Tinnevelly district. The town has a local reputation for the manufacture of cloths largely in demand on the western coast. On the southern bank of the river is the big and flourishing village of Kallidaikkurichchi, which gives its name to the cloths manufactured at the sister town on the other bank, because the trade in them is carried on mostly by the Brahmanas of the former place, who temporarily reside in Malabar and are frequently met with on the west coast.

The site of Ambâsamudram seems to have been altered in comparatively recent times. The greater portion of the town is now situated at some distance from the river, while the most important temple, now called Erichcha-Uḍaiyār, is quite close to it, and is separated from the town by a pretty large extent of rice fields. The heavy floods in the Tâmraparnî at certain seasons of the year might be one of the causes which led to the removal of the town to a more distant locality. Besides, in ancient times, Ambâsamudram seems to have been a big place including some of the adjacent villages such as Tiruvâliśvaram¹ and Maṇṇārkôyil.³ In an inscription of [Jaṭâyarman Sundara-]Chôla-Pâṇḍya³ the temple of Erichcha-Uḍaiyâr is said to be situated in the southern hamlet of Rājarāja-chaturvédimaṅgalam. During the period of Pâṇḍya supremacy the town was called Iḷaṅgôkkuḍi or Iḷaṅgôykkuḍi,¹ which was altered into Rājarāja-chaturvédimaṅgalam after the Chôla conquest.⁵ The latter name has probably to be traced to the Chôla king Rājarāja I., after whom the Pâṇḍya country was itself called Rājarāja-maṇḍalam..

During the field season of 1904-05 I copied eight inscriptions in the temple of Erichcha-Udaiyâr, of which two belong to the early Pâṇḍyas,? two to the Chôlas, one to the Chôla-Pâṇḍyas, and two to the later Pâṇḍyas, while the eighth does not mention any king. One of the early Pâṇḍya records seems to belong to the reign of Vîra-Pāṇḍya, who took tho head of the Chôla. The Chôla king with whom he fought must be Aditya (II.) Karikāla, who, according to the large Leiden plates, fought in his youth against Vîra-Pâṇḍya. The newly discovered to the large Leiden plates of Râjêndra-Chôla I, do not mention the name of the Pâṇḍya king agains whom Âditya II. fought, but report that the latter killed the Pâṇḍya king in battle and se np his lofty head as a pillar of victory in his city. Accordingly, Vîra-Pâṇḍya reigned in the

¹ The temple at Tiruválíšvaram is said to have been situated in Rájarája-chaturvédimangalam, which was the name of Ambhasamadram in Chôla times; Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1904-5, p. 43, Nos. 115 and 119 of 1905

² The Vishnu temple at this village, called Râjendra-Chôla-vinnagar in ancient times, was also situated i Bajarâja-chaturvêdimangalam; No. 112 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

No. 102 of the same collection.

^{*} No. 104 of the same, and lines 2, 6 f. and 10 f. of the subjoined inscription.

⁵ The manne occurs already in an inscription of the 41th year of Rajaraja I.; No. 119 of the Governmen Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

^{*} South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 149.

⁷ Nos. 101 and 105 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

⁵ Nos. 98 and 99 of the same cohection.

No. 102 of the same.

Nos. 100 and 103 of the same.

¹¹ No. 104 of the same. 12 No.

¹² No. 101 of the same.

¹⁸ He was the elder brother of Rajaraja I. (A.D. 985 to at least 1013).

¹⁴ South-Ind. Inser. Vol. I. p. 112.

Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1905-6, Part I. paragraph's.

¹⁶ Ibid. Part II. paragraph 16.

period prior to the conquest and occupation of the Pândya country by the Chôlas at the end of the 10th century A.D.

The subjoined inscription is engraved on a slab built into the floor of the first circuit in the Ericheha-Udaiyâr temple, which is comparatively dark. The record was found and copied with the help of a lamp. At my request the Collector of Tinnevelly has removed the slab to the Government Central Museum at Madras. The plate issued with this paper is based on fresh impressions prepared by my Assistant Mr. K. V. Sabrahmanya Aiyar, B.A., after the removal of the stone to Madras. The alphabet of the document is Vatteluttu and the language Tamil prose intermixed with a few Sanskrit words in the Grantha alphabet. The preservation is good, though a few syllables are mutilated at the end of lines 3 to 13 and 81. The slab was ruled before the writing, which is crowded into three sides of it, was engraved. The number of Sanskrit words written in Grantha is comparatively few, viz. svasti (l. 1), \$ri (ll. 1 and 3). anagraha (l. 1), bhatāra (ll. 1, 3 and 10), maharaja (l. 5), maharāja (ll. 12 and 81) and rājyavasha (l. 12).

The following peculiarities of the alphabet deserve to be noted. The horizontal stroke of k_{\perp} is very often small and indistinct. But the letter has not yet assumed the slanting form found in the Tirunelli² and Cochin plates³ of Bhaskara-Ravivarman. The variant of the letter ya noticed by Prof. Hultzsch in the Köttayam plates of Sthanu-Ravi and in certain Chôla inscrip tions' does not occur here. Two slightly different forms of t are used, of which one (the first t of setuttu in Il. 5 and 14) resembles, to a certain extent, the form in an ancient Vatteluttu record from Tirunadarkungu in the South Arcot district.⁵ The vowel ai occurs thrice in the inscription (II. 9, 22 and 75). As in other Tamil inscriptions, hardly any distinction is made between the short i and the long i when they occur in combination with consonants. Double kk is occasionally written as a group, e.g. in maharájarkku and nangávadukku in line 12; poludaikku in line 15; kummiyattukku in line 16; 'lakku and 'kkaruvûlai in line 18. The i-symbol is added in some cases over the top of the consonant to which it belongs, instead of by the side as in later Vatteluttu epigraphs; see e.g. vî of virrirundu (l. 6), li of poli (l. 9), di of kudi (l. 11), mi of °vami, lu (l. 14), and li of na=nali (l. 16). The syllable po is written as in the Madius Museum plates of Jatilavarman⁶ without the addition of the a-symbol (on the right) found in the Chola VatteInttn inscriptions published by Prof. Hultzsch. The Tirunelli plates distinguish by a similar addition the long $p\hat{o}$ from the short $p\hat{o}$, and only a single instance of the former occurs in the Cochin Jews' grant. Thus the distinction between pound po appears to be a later innovation, and evidently belongs to a period subsequent to the Jatilavarman plates and to the subjoined inscription. If this conclusion be correct, the Cochin and the Tirunelli plates of Bhaskara-Ravivarman must be later than Varaguna-Pandya. And as Prof. Hultzsch has remarked that the alphabet employed in both of them agrees with that of the Chôla inscriptions from South Travancore published by him, 10 Bhaskara-Ravivarman may have to be assigned to the 10th or 11th century A.D.

The language of the subjoined record calls for a few remarks. The vulgar form maharija becurs twice instead of the Sanskrit maharija (II. 12 and 81), while maharaja in line 5 is

¹ The stone has evidently been slightly damaged in transit. Accordingly, portions of the last letters in 41.4 a 2, which are missing on the Plate, are found on my original impression prepared at Ambasamudram in 1905 before he stone was removed to Madras.

² Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. Plate facing p. 290.

Above, Vol. III. Plate facing p. 72.

⁴ Above, Vol. V. p. 42.

No. 289 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1904 and Annual Report for 1903-4, paragraph 30

⁶ Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. Plates facing p. 70, ll. 32 and 43.

¹ Above, Vol. V. Plate facing p. 46, E., line 1; and H., ll. 5, 8 and 9.

^{*} Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. Plate facing p. 290; compare pop in Il. 13, 19 and 34 with pôm in 1 21.

Above, Vol. III. Plate feeing p. 72; compare policy in line 27 with pom of the preceding note. Do Above, Vol. V. p. 42.

evidently a mistake. Amidu (l. 14) and amirdui (l. 19 f.), both of which correspond to the modern Tamil amudu, are tadbhavas of the Sanskrit amrita. The word poli (l. 9) is used both here and in the Trichinopoly cave inscription of Varaguna-Pandyai instead of the more common polisai, which occurs in the Tanjore inscriptions and survives in the Malayalam palisa. The word naru (ll. 27 and 69) is still current in Malayalam, while its modern Tamil equivalent is niru. The root from which they are both derived is naru, which has acquired a figurative sense in Tamil, while the original meaning seems to be preserved in Telugu. The measure known as social occurs four times in the form seviffu (ll. 25, 27, 54 and 70). The word nigadi is used in line 27 as well as in line 13 apparently in the same sense as nisadi, of which niyadi (l. 77) is a variant. Vena in line 75 is a vulgar form of the word vending. The form kuni, which occurs twice (ll. 58 and 73), is perhaps a simple mistake for kuruni.

The subjoined inscription belongs to the time of Varaguṇa-Mahārāja, whose name occurs thrice (II. 5, 11 f. and 81), and is dated in the 12th opposite to the fourth year of his reign. From his camp at Araisûr on the bank of the Peṇṇai river in Toṇḍai-nāḍu, the king granted 290 kūšu to the temple of Tiruppôttuḍaiyār¹ (the ancient name of Ericheha-Uḍaiyār) at Iļaṅgôkkuḍi in Mulli-nāḍu.⁸ The assembly of the village received the money. The committee of the assembly and the temple servants had jointly to provide for offerings to the god, according to a fixed scale, out of the interest from those 290 kūšu.

The inscription of Varaguṇa-Pāṇḍya in the Upper Cave at Trichinopoly is dated on the 2501st day (and) in the 4th year or the 11th year of his reign. No reasonable doubt can at present be entertained as regards the identity of this king with the donor of the subjoined record. On the occasion of making the former donation Varaguṇa was at Niyamam in the Tanjore district, after having destroyed the fortifications of a town named Vēmbil. At Rāmanāthapuram near Dindigul in the Madura district is a Tamil inscription which refers to the expedition (yūttirai) of Māranjaḍaiyan against Iḍavai in the Chōla country. The Trichinopoly epigraph implies that Maranjaḍaiyan was a surname of Varaguṇa, 13 and this inference is borne out by a

¹ Amirdu occurs also in the Tanjore inscriptions; see e.g. South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 69, text line 3.

Amurdu is another form of the same word; see above, Vol. VII. p. 194, text line 3.

² See the Director-General's Annual for 1903-4, p. 275, text line 16.

² See e.g. South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 69, text line 3. The form palifai also occurs in epigraphical records, see ibid. p. 122, text line 27.

According to Dr. Gundert palifa means 'interest on money.'

According to Winslow nagu means 'to destroy, to kill.'

[·] According to Brown's Telugu Dictionary, narute means 'to grind or sharpen' and 'to reduce to powder.'

This name means 'the blessed lord of the bull,' i.e. Siva.

^{*} According to an inscription of the Chôla king Râjêndra-Chôla I. (above, Vol. V. p. 47) Shêrmâdôvi in th Tinnevelly district was included in Mulli-nâdu. Mulli-nâdu belonged to the Tirvadi-râjya, i.e. Travancore, in th 17th century A.D. (ibid. Vol. III. p. 240).

The expression savai-variyar seems to imply that the system of village administration prevalent in the Chôla country in the 10th century A.D. was also in operation in the Pândya kingdom in the 9th century A.D. see the Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1898-99, paragraphs 58 to 73.

¹⁰ See the Director-General's Annual for 1903-4, p. 276.

¹¹ Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1905-6, Part II. paragraph 25. This is the inscription mentioned by Mr Sewell (Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 289) as being engraved on the "Pandiyan Rock" in very old Tamicharacters.

¹² Māṇañjadaiyan seems to have been a formal rame of Varaguns, just as Rājakêsarivarman and Parakêsarivarman were of Chôla kings. Kônêriquisikondân was a similar name assumed originally by Chôla kings and subsequently by the Pāṇdyas too. Among the later Pāṇdyas, Māṇavarman and Jaṭilavarman were similar formal name derived, evidently, from the Tamil words Māṇan and Sadaiyan. The former denotes in Sanskrit 'Cupid,' but has been so often applied to the Pāṇdya king that it has become one of the synonyms of 'the Pāṇdya king.'

¹¹ No. 277 of 1895 in the Trevandrum Museum belongs to the 27th year of Maranjadaiyan. It may be a record of Varaguna-Pandya, though this is not absolutely certain. It mentions a hero named Ranakirti, the army of the Chêra king, and Vijunam.

record at Tillasthânam in the Tanjore district, which is dated during the reign of Mârañjadaiyan and records a gift for the merit of Varaguna-Maharaja. Accordingly, it may be concluded that Varaguna alias Maranjadaiyan led the expedition against Idavai in the Chôla country. Idavai is evidently identical with the village of the same name? in Manni-naqu, a subdivision of Rajendrasimha-valanadu situated on the northorn bank of the river Kaveri.3 The village of Vembarrur situated in the same subdivisions might be identical with Vembil, whose fortifications Varaguna destroyed. The destruction of Vêmbil probably followed soon after the expedition against Idavai. In the same locality is Tiruppirambiyam, where a battle was fought between the Pandya king Varaguna and the Wostern Ganga Prithivipati I.6 The expedition against ldavai in the Chôla country and the attack of Vêmbil were apparently acts of aggression? on the part of the Pandya king, which eventually led to the battle of Sripugambiya (in Tamil Tiruppirambiyam). The part which Prithivipati I, played in this battle was hitherto inexplicable. In editing the Trichinopoly cave inscription of Varaguna-Pândya, I remarked:8-" How it was that the Gangas of Gangavadi in the Mysore State managed to get so far south as Kumbhakônam in the Tanjore district, and why the Pandya king Varaguna had to fight against them, are points on which no information is at present forthcoming." The verse in the Udayêndiram plates which describes the battle runs as follows, with Prof. Hultzsch's corrections:9-

यः त्रीपु⇔म्बियमणाण्डवसूर्धि धीरः पाण्डोयरं वरगुणं सप्तसा विजित्य [।*] कत्वार्श्येयुक्तमपराजितग्रब्दमात्मप्राण्वयीन सुत्रृदस्त्रिदिवज्रगाम [॥*]

With the approval of Prof. Hultzsch, whose translation of the verse is slightly different, I render it as follows:—"Having defeated by force the Pāṇḍya king Varaguṇa at the head of he great battle of Śripurambiya, and having made (his) friend's title Aparājita (i.e. the unconquered) significant, this here entered heaven by sacrificing his own life." Thus we get a king whose name or surname was Aparājita, and who with his ally Pṛithivîpati I. fought against the Pāṇḍya king Varaguṇa. The existence of a king named Aparājita might be concluded already rom one of the Ukkal inscriptions, where the other name of that village is Aparājita-phaturvēdimaṅgalam.\(^{10}\) From the Âmbûr inscriptions of the Gaṅga-Pallava king Nripatuṅga it may be supposed that Pṛithivîpati I. was his fendatory.\(^{11}\) Accordingly, Aparājita, he friend of the latter, was probably also a Gaṅga-Pallava. Indisputable evidence of the existence of a Gaṅga-Pallava king of that name is furnished by an inscription of Vijaya-Aparājitavikramavarman, discovered by my Assistant Mr. K. V. Subrahmanya Aiyar at Tiruttaṇi in the North Arcot district.\(^{12}\) Aparājitavikramavarman was apparently the successor of Nripatuṅga, and we may at present suppose that during the reign of the latter (or after his

¹ No. 51 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1895.

² South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. pp. 825 and 886.

³ Ibid. p. 58.

⁴ Ibid. p. 825, paragraph 88, and p. 836, paragraph 77.

b Tiruppirambiyam near Kumbhakônam is the modern Tamil name of Śripugambiya mentioned in the Udayêndiram plates of Prithivipati II.; see also the following note.

⁶ Ibid. p. 387. Vaimbalguli, where another battle was fought by Prithivipati I. according to the Udayèn-dicam plates, may have to be looked for in the same locality. It is not impossible that the place is identical with Vémbil, whose fortifications Varaguna destroyed. But the name of Prithivipati's enemy in the battle of Vaimbalguli is not mentioned. Consequently this identification remains doubtful.

⁷ That the Paudyas were strong and powerful about this time, is proved by their invasion of Ceylon recorded in Chapter L. of the Singhalese Chronicle *Mahdvainsa*; see Mr. L. C. Wijesinha's *Translation*. The invasion seems to have been unprovoked and falls into the period A.D. 846-866.

Director-General's Annual for 1903-04, p. 273.

^{*} South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 384, verse 18.

¹⁰ Ibid. Vol. III. p. 2. 11 Above, Vol. IV. p. 182.

¹² Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1905.06, Part II. paragraph 8.

death) there was a Pandya invasion headed by Varaguna. The invader probably did not meet with any effective resistance at first, and therefore advanced as far north as Araisûr on the Southern Ponnar river, where he was encamped at the time of making the grant registered in the subjoined Ambasamudram inscription. Subsequently, Aparajita, who was perhaps the heirapparent at the time, appears to have been sent with the Western Ganga Prithivipati I to repel the invasion. The decisive battle was fought at Śrîpugambiya, and the invader was driven back. But the Ganga king lost his life in it.²

The Tiruvâlangâdu plates of the Chôla king Rajendra-Chôla I. help us to trace the fortunes of the Ganga-Pallavas to the very end. Verso 49 of the Sanskrit portion of this grant, which describes the achievements of the Chôla king Âditya I., runs as follows:—

चपराजितमप्यसी रणे जितवान् पक्षवसुक्षसत्वलम् । [।*] दियतामपि तस्य मंदिनीं स्ववशीक्षत्य [त*]याप्यभूत् कती ।

"Having conquered in battle the Pallava who had brilliant troops, though (he was) Aparâjita (i.e. the unconquered), he (viz. the Chôla king Âditya) also took possession of his queen, (viz.) the earth, (and) thus accemplished his object." In other words, the Chôla king Âditya I. conquered the Pallava Aparâjita and annexed his dominious. The Pallava Aparâjita may now be identified with the Ganga-Pallava king Aparâjitavikramavarman of the Tiruttani inscription, and with that Ajarâjita who defeated Varaguna-Pândya. And evidently, Ukkal in the North Arcot district was called Aparâjita-chaturvêdimangalam after this Ganga-Pallava king. He was apparently the last member of his family. Though successful against the Pândyas, he could not offer any effective resistance to the rising Chôlas, who, under Âditya I., not only conquered him in battle, but also annexed his dominions.

In a Vattelatta inscription at Aivarmalai in the Madura district, copied during the last field season by my assistant Mr. G. Venkoba Rao, I found a Śaka date for Varaguṇa. His 8th year is coupled with Śaka-samvat 792. Thus his accession took place in A.D. 862-63. If the facts and inferences set forth in the preceding paragraphs be confirmed by future researches and if there was only one Pâṇḍya king named Varagnṇa, the invasion of Iḍavai in the Chòla country and the destruction of the fortifications of Vémbil must have taken place in or before A.D. 872-73.8 Varagnṇa was at Araiśūr on the southern Pennar in A.D. 877-8. The battle of Śripurambiya might have taken place towards the close of the same year or in the next year. If the surmise made by me, that Aparâjita was probably heir-apparent when that battle took place, be true, his accession may be placed about A.D. 880. His defeat by the Chôla king Âditya evidently occurred after the Tiruttani inscription of the 18th year of his reign

Aparajita is called the friend (suhrid) of Prithivipati I., who was a Ganga-Pallava foundatory. If the forme had been the reigning king, it is perhaps not likely that he would be referred to as the 'friend' of Prithivipati I.

² Soon after the conquest and occupation of the Pallava dominions by the Chôlas, the Gangas, who had beer feudatories of the Ganga-Pallavas, seem to have acknowledged the Chôlas as their overlords. In an inscription of Rájakêsarivarman which has to be attributed to Aditya I., Piridipati, son of Māramaraiyar (i.e. perhap Prithivipati II., son of Māramaraiyar (i.e. perhap Prithivipati II., son of Mārasimha), is mentioned, apparently, as a Chôla feudatôry; Annual Report on Epigraphi for 1896-97, paragraph 7.

Read "मृज्ञसदलम.

Annual Report of Epigraphy for 1905-06, Part II. paragraph 10.

The place at which this battle was fought is not mentioned here. According to tradition the battle which crushed the Pallava power was fought near Sholinghur in the North Arcot district; see the Manual of the North Arcot District, Vol. I. p. 39.

That Aparajita is called a Pallava, is no bar to the Proposed identification. In the Bahur plates (above Vol. IV. p. 181), the Ganga-Pallava Nripatungavikramavarman and his ancestors are called Pallavas, and ther legendary ancestors are the same as those of the Pallavas of Conjeweram.

Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1905-6, Part II. paragraph 25.

[•] The latter event is mentioned in the Trichinopoly inscription, dated in the 11th year of the king's reign.

Accordingly, the event may be supposed to have taken place at the end of the 9th century A.D.

The great Śaiva saint Māṇikkavāśagar mentions the Pāṇḍya king Varaguṇa twice? in his Tiruchchirrambalakhôvaiyār. The time of Sundaramūrti-Nāyaṇār, who probably flourished in the 8th century A.D., is the upper limit of the date of Māṇikkavāśagar, who is conspicuous by his emission from the Tiruttenḍattogai, i.e. the list of Śaiva saints composed by the former. The lower limit may be taken as the reign of the Chāļa king Parakēsarivarman Rājēndradēva (A.D. 1052 to 1063), because in an inscription of the 5th year of his reign (=A.D. 1056-57) reference is made to the poem [Tiru]rembāvai composed by Māṇikkavāśagar. 1th may, therefore, be concluded that this Śaiva saint was a contemporary of the Pāṇḍya king Varaguṇa. And if there was only one king of that name, the Śaiva saint must have flourished in the second half of the 9th century A.D.

It is worthy of note that the calculation of the annual requirements of the temple provided for in the subjoined inscription implies that the measure of paddy known as kalam consisted of 90 ndli, instead of 12 kuruni or 96 ndli, which we find, for instance, in the Tanjore inscriptions, and which is the prevailing equivalent in the Tamil country. A kalam was equal to 15 kuruni, and a kuruni equal to 6 ndli. The rate of interest, according to the subjoined inscription, is 2 kalam of paddy for each kdšu, while in the Tanjore inscriptions it is 3 kuruni for one kdšu. Thus the rate in the Pāṇḍya country at the time of Varaguna would be nearly eight times higher than that prevailing in Tanjore during the reign of the Chôla king Rājarāja I. (A.D. 985 to at least 1013), in case there was no difference in the value of the kdšu. The variations at the same two places and periods in the price of some of the important articles of daily consumption are recorded in the foot-notes. It is interesting to note that common salt and firewood, which are included among the daily requirements in the Tanjore inscriptions, are conspicuous by their omission in the subjoined document. This is a significant fact, though we may not be warranted in concluding from it that these two articles had not to be paid for in the Pāṇḍya country during the reign of Varaguna.

TEXT.

First Side of the Stone.

1 Svasti [||*] Śrî-Bhaṭârar=anugra[ha]tti[nâ]-

2 r6 Mulli-nâțț-Ilangôykkudi T[i]-

² Above, Vol. VII. p. 7.

The conquest of the Pallavas is attributed by tradition to Âdoṇḍai, an illegitimate son of Kulôttuṅga of Tanjore. The first battle, said to have been fought at Puralûr, ended in favour of the Pallavas. Âdoṇḍai was then forced to retreat to Sholinghar. "Encouraged there by a dream, he renewed the contest and defeated the enemy with great slaughter. The Pallava king was taken prisoner, and the brazen gates of the Puralur fort were carried to the temple (!) of Tanjore;" see the Manual of the North Arcot District, Vol. 1. p. 39. If there he any truth in this tradition, Kulôttuṅga must have been a surname of Vijayālaya, and Âdoṇḍai of his son Âditya I. But there is not even the slightest hint in epigraphical records that Âditya was the illegitimate son of Vijayālaya. Another tradition has it that the mythical Chôja king Kôkkiḷḷi had an illegitimate son named Âdoṇḍai by a Nāga woman, and that the province conferred on the latter by his father was called Toṇḍai-nāḍu or Toṇḍai-maṇḍalam. It looks as if this Âdoṇḍai is mixed up with the conqueror of the Pallavas in the former story.

² Verse 306 in illustration of Maruvudaluraittal, and verse 327 in illustration of Vinaimurrinimaittal.

⁴ No. 12 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905 from the Virattanésvara temple at Kilûr near Tirakoilûr.

In ancient times the rate of interest seems to have been more or less arbitrary. It looks as if the ordinary laws of Political Economy were not allowed full play, and it is therefore unsafe to draw any conclusions from the rate of interest. At Conjectoram the rate of interest during the reign of a Chôla king manual Parakêsarivarman was 15 per cent. About a century earlier the rate was 5 per cent. in the same place. Again the interest on 250 kalañju of gold was 500 kádi of paddy, and 150 kádi on 50 kalañju; G. O. No. 452, Public, dated 10th June 1891, p. 5.

Read onal; the ha of anugraha is slightly different from ha in 11. 5, 12 and 81.

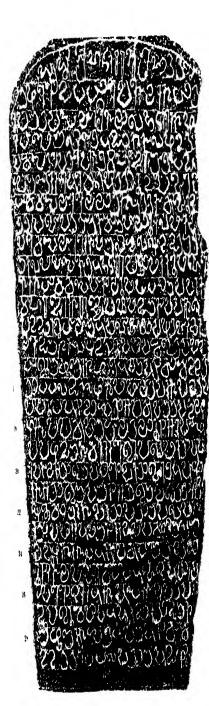
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3 ruppôttudaiyar árîkôyil-Bhatara[r*]kku mu[dal*]
 4 [ke]dâmai poli kondul nâ[n]gu kâlamun-di[ruv-amu*]-
5 du śelu[t]tuvadā[ga] Varaguņa-Maharajar Tondai-nāt[tu-P*]-
6 pennai-kkarai Araisûr vîrrirundu Han[gôkku*]-
7 di-chchavaiyar kaiyyir-kudutta kasa iru-nur[ru-to*]-
8 nnûru []*] ivarrâr=kâsinvây=iru-galamâga ân[ḍu*]-
9 varai śavaiyâr=alakkum poli-nel ai-nnûrr-o[nba][di*]-
10 n kalam [|*] ivai kondu Bhatarar pani-makkalum lla[n*]-
11 gôkkudi-chchavai-vâriyarum uda-ningu Varagu[na*]-
12 Mahar[â]jarkku rajya-va[r*]sham nangavadukku ed[ir*]
13 panniranda[m*] yandu Tula-nayiru mudalaga niga[di*]-
14 yaga nangu kalam[u|n-diruv-amidu seluttum [pa]-
15 di [|*] oru-poludaikku vênduvana arisi senn[e]r=
16 rîttal nâ-nâli kummâyattukku pa[ya]rru-
17 pparupp-uri nivêdikka pasavin-nagu-ney[y]-u-
18 lakku-ppašuviņ-rôy-tayir-uri-kkaruvāļai-
19 ppala-nangu śarkkarai oru-palam kagi-am[i]-
20 rdu kâyk[ka]ri onru pulingari irandu pulu-
21 [k]kukkari ongu porikkari ongu ôgrizkkari
22 ainjinukkun gagi padin-pala[m]
23 [ka]ri tumikkavum porikkavum pasuvi=naru-ne-
24 y âlakku-k[kût]tukku pasavin [t]ô[y]-tayi-
25 ranriakkâyam iru-seviţţu ilai-amirdu
26 vellilai îr-adukku adaikkây pattu
27 nûru oru-sevittu [|*] âga nigadi nângu
28 poludaikku vênduvana arisi se-
29 nner=rîttal padin-aru-nâli
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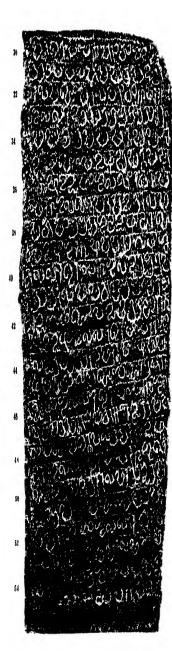
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30 aga ôr-attai[k]ku ariśi śen[ne]-
31 [r]=rîțial aruba[t]tu-nâr=
32 [ka]lam [|*] ivai [ka]lav-arišikku mu=[kkala]-
33 nellåga nürra-tton[nû]rr-ira-gala-
34 m []*] payarru=pparupp=iru-
35 nâļi ivai nâļi:pparuppu-
36 kku mu=nnāļi nellāga ôr=[â]ţ-
37 taikku nel irubattu-när=kalam [1*]
38 paśuvin-naru-ney naliy-uri i-
39 vai nâl[i] ne[y*]kku muppadi=nâli ne-
40 2llåga or=å[t*]taikku nel nûrr-enba-
41 din kalam [l*] paśuvin=rôy-[tayi]-
42 r nå=nåli ivai nåli=t[ta]yirkku
43 mu=nnâli nell[â]ga ó:-áttaikku ne-
44 l na[r patt-en-galam [|*] karuvalaippa-
45 lam padin-aru ivai irandu[kku]
46 nali nellaga ôr-attaikku ne[l]
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The phrase mudal keddmai poli kondu corresponds to muda=nigka poli kondu of the Trichinopoly inscription; Pirector-General's Annual for 1903-04, p. 275, text line 15 f.

³ At the beginning of this line is a symbol which looks like ra, but which is probably a mere crack on the stone.







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47 muppatt-iru-galam [1*] farkkarai lnârra[p]pa-
48 [la]m i[du] oru-palattukku nâli-
49 y-uri nellâga ôr-âţţaikku nel
50 irubattu-nar-kkalam [|*] kari narpa-
51 din palam ivai pan-pa[la]-
52 ttukku náli nellága ôr-á[t]-
56 taikku nel pa[di*]n-agu-kalam [l*] kâyam
54 âlakkê mu=chcheviţţu idu
55 ulakku kâyattukk-aru-nâ-
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Third Side of the Stone.

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56 [li] nell[â]ga ôr=ât[ṭai]-
57 kku nel patt[o]n[ba]-
58 [di]n kalanê mu=kku[ru*]ni [|*]
59 ilai-amirdu vel-
60 [li]lai iraņdu parru
61 [i]vai oru-parruk[k=i]-
62 [ru]-nâļi nellāga ôr=[â]-
63 ttaikku nel pa[di]-
64 [n-a]ru-galam adai[kka]-
65 y nagpadu ivai [i]-
66 rabad=adaikkây[kku] mu=n-
67 [nâ]liy-uri nellâga
68 ôr=âttaikku nell=[i]-
69 r[u]ba[tt]-en-galam [|*] nûr[u]
70 n[â]r=chevițțu idu
71 nalikk-iru-naliy[aga]
72 ôr-âttaikku nel
73 pann-iru-ku[ru*]vi [|*] el-
74 l[\hat{a}]m êrri \delta r = \hat{a}[t]-
75 taikku vêņa nel [ai=n]-
76 nûrr-[e]nbadin kala[m] [1*]
77 isppariśu niyadi-
78 [p]padi mutt[â]mai
79 n e dun=gâlamuñ=je-
80 lu[t]tuv[adâ]ga vai[t*][t]â-
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81 r śri-Varaguņa-Maharaja[r*] [ll*]

TRANSLATION.

(Lines 1 to 8.) Hail! By the grace of the blessed lord (bhatarar)! Varaguna-Maharaja, being encamped2 at Araisar on the bank of the (river) Pennai in Tondai-nadu, gave into the hands of the members of the assembly of Hangôkkudi two hundred and ninety kdśu, from the interest of which—the capital remaining unspent's—offerings had to be provided for four times

¹ Read nár=param.

² Virgirundu means literally 'being seated majestically.'

³ This is the literal translation. The money must have been sent by a messenger to be made over to the village assembly.

^{*} Literally 'taking interest (in such a way) that the capital is not destroyed;' see note 1 on page 90 above.

(a day) to the lord of the glorious templel of Tiruppôttudaiyâr at Ilangôkkudi in Mulli-

(Ll. 8 to 10.) For this (amount) the members of the assembly have to measure out five hundred and eighty kalam of paddy per year (as) interest, at the rate of two kalam for each kâśu.

(Ll. 10 to 14.) Out of this (income) the servants of the lord (bhatarar) and the committee of the assembly of Ilangôkkudi shall jointly pay for offerings four times a day,2 commencing, from the month of Tula in the twelfth year opposite to the fourth year of the reign of Varaguna-Maharaja, (according to the following) scale:-

(II. 15 to 27.) (The following) are the requirements for a single offering:3— four nall of clean superior rice;4 (one) uri of split green gram for the kummâyam;6 (one) ulakku of cows' ghee of the best quality to be offered (by itself); (one) uri of cows' curds; four black plantain fruits; one palam of sugar; ten palam of vegetables (for) the vegetable offering (kari-amirda), (viz.) one kaykkari, two palingari, one pulukkakkari (and) one porikkari in all, five (kinds of) enery; (one) alakku of cows' ghee of the best quality for seasoning 10 and frying vegetables; (one) uri of cows' curds for the compound curry (kûttu);" two ścrittu of asafeetida; two bundles of betel-leaves,12 ten areca-nuts (and) one sevittu of lime (nûru) for the leaves offering.

(II. 27 to 73.) The aggregate requirements for (the offerings) four times a day13 (are):-At the rate of sixteen nalli of clean superior rice (a day), sixty-four kalum of clean superior rice

1 The word trikbvil means 'the sanctuary of a temple' according to Dr. Gundert. It is used here in the same sense as the Tamil tirukkôyil, 'a temple, a place of worship, a sacred shrine.' In the Tanjore inscriptions śrikôyil is used to designate the orthodox Hindû temple as opposed to the temples of the Dravidian village deities and to the Jaina temples (South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 48, note 8, and p. 59).

* Literally ' (the offering) at one time.' 2 The word nigadi occurs again in line 27.

With scanel compare tirachchennadai-nel in a Chola inscription from Conjecveram; South-Ind. Inscr.

Vol. L. p. 117.

5 This word occurs in a similar context in an inscription of Rajakesarivarman found at Tiruvellarai near Trichinopoly (No. 518 of 1905). In an unpublished record of the Chôla king Râjakêsariyarman from Gudimallam in the North Arcot district, split green gram (sigu-payargu-parappu) is provided for kummaya-amudu (No. 222 of 1903). The modern meaning of the word kummiyam, viz. 'mortar,' will not do here. In Malayalam and in Kanarese the root kummu means ' to beat with a pestle,' and kummayam might therefore denote something pounded, if the word is derived from that root.

The verb nicedikka in line 17 may also have to be taken with the words tayir (1, 18), karuvalaippalam

(1, 18 f.) and sarkkarai (1, 19), if not with all the items mentioned in H. 19 to 27.

According to one of the Tanjore inscriptions of Rajaraja I. (South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. No. 26) pepper, mustard, and perhaps also salt were required for this preparation. Some vegetable must also have been added, though the fact is not specifically mentioned. Old rice, pulse, pepper, mustard, cumin, sugar and ghee were required for a similar preparation called appakkáykkari.

8 Pepper, mustard, cumin, sugar, tamarind, curds, horse-gram and plantain fruits were required for it according to the inscription quoted in the preceding note. Puligittadungari (consisting of pepper, cumin

tamariud, and perhaps some vegetable) was a similar preparation.

 Pulukkukkari, 'boiled curry,' is perhaps so called in order to distinguish it from porikkari, 'fried curry.' The former is not mentioned (at any rate under this name) in the Tanjore inscription quoted above, while ghoe is provided for the latter. Evidently parikkari consisted of a vegetable fried in glee.

10 The verb tumi means 'to sprinkle.' Condiment po vder is even now sprinkled over boiled curry and the whole seasoned with boiling glee, in which a small quantity of mustard is frying. The preparation is called poditival. powder sprinkling, and the same is apparently indicated by the use of the verb tumi here. A story is told in connection with the Tamil poet Kamban, which shows that the noun fumi was not in common use during his time.

n Kattu is a liquid preparation still in use and consists of (1) a vegetable cooked either with Bengal gram or beans, (2) two or more vegetables boiled together, or (3) specially made powder dissolved in curds. (1) and (2) do not, generally, require any curds.

12 The word for betel-leaves both here as well as in the Tanjore inscriptions is reffilat, 'white leaf,' while the

modern Tamil form is regular, 'empty 'eaf.'

Worship at six periods of the day is the rule at present in big temples. In the case of a minor shrine in the Tanjore temple, provision was made for offerings on three times (morning, midday and night, South-Ind. Inser. Vol. 11, p. 146) and twice in the case of two other shrines (ibid. pp. 70 and 71).

for a year. At three kalam of paddy for one kalam of rice, this (comes to) one hundred and ninety-two kalam (of paddy). The split green gram (required for a day) is two nath. At the rate of three nali of paddy for (one) nali of split (green gram), twenty-four kalam of paddy per year (have to be allotted) for this (item). Cows' ghee of the best quality (required for a day) is (one) nall and (one) uri. At the rate of thirty nall of paddy for (one) nall of ghee,3 this (comes to) one hundred and eighty kalam of paddy for a year. (The quantity of) cows' curds (signified for a day) is four nali. At the rate of three nali of paddy for (one) nali of curds. this (amounts to) forty-eight kalam of paddy annually. (The number of) black plantain fruits (required for a day) is sixteen. At the rate of (one) ndli of paddy for two (jeuits), these (cost) thirty-two kalam of paddy annually. The sugar (required for a day is) four palam. At the rate of (one) nali and (one) uri of paddy for every palam,6 this (item costs) twenty-four kalam of paddy per year. (The daily consumption of) vegetables being forty palam, sixteen kalum of paddy (have to be allotted) for this (item) every year—at the rate of (one) naili of paddy for ten palam, (One) álakku and three secifu of asafartida (being required daily), nineteen kalam and three kurunis of paddy (have to be allotted) for this (item) annually - at the rate of six nati of paddy for (one) ulakku of asafeetida. (For) the leaves offering (are required) two bundles of betel-leaves (daily), which, at the rate of two nall of paddy for one bundle, (come to) sixteen kalam of paddy for a year; forty areca-nuts (daily), which, at the rate of three mill and (one) uri of paddy for 20 areca-nuts, (cost) twenty-eight kalam of paddy annually; 11 (and) four ścrittu of lime (daily), which, at the rate of two naili (of paddy) for (one) naili (of lime), (cost) twelve kuruni12 of paddy per year.

(Ll. 73 to 81.) Altogether, the (quantity of) paddy required annually is five hundred and eighty kalam. The glorious Varaguna-Maharaja thus deposited (this money), in order that

2 Pulse was exchanged at this rate during the time of Rajaraja I. at Tanjore.

4 The same rate obtained in Tanjore during the reign of Rajaraja I.

In one of the Tanjore inscriptions quoted in the preceding foot-notes, the daily allotment for purchasing vegetables is 0 nalli of puddy. The quantity of vegetables is not mentioned.

• If this calculation is correct, a kalam must be equal to 15 instead of 12 kuguni, and a kuguni equal to 6 with

¹⁰ From lines 26 and 60 of the text it may be concluded that one bundle (pages) was equal to 1 adukku of betel-leaves.

¹¹ Provision is made for the supply of areca-nuts and betel-leaves in three of the Tanjore inscriptions, where only the aggregate cost of both is given (Nos. 6, 26 and 35 of South-Ind. Inscr. Vol. 11.): 1 nd/i of paddy for 8 areca-nuts and 32 betel-leaves (No. 6); 4 nd/i and 1 uri of paddy for 30 areca-nuts and 60 betel-leaves (No. 26); and 1 nd/i and 1 uri of paddy for 12 areca-nuts and 24 betel-leaves (No. 25).

12 The actual calculation yields 36 ndli of lime annually, costing 72 ndli of paddy, i.e. 18 ndli less than a kalam (-90 ndli according to this inscription) or 12 kuruni. But it has been pointed out that a kalam was made up of 15 kuruni (note 8 above). Thus the kuruni was equal to 6 ndli instead of the more common 8 ndli. With this equivalent of the kuruni the calculation in the text would be correct.

13 This calculation would be correct only on the assumption that a kulam was equal to 15 kuruni and a kuruni equal to 6 nd(i; see the preceding note.

¹ In Tanjore 5 kalam of paddy were required for 2 kalam of rice during the time of Rajaraja I.

In Tanjore ghee and paddy were exchanged in the proportion of 1 to 32 at the time of Rajaraja I.

b There seem to have been three varieties of plantain fruits available in Tanjore and its vicinity about the beginning of the 11th century A.D. Two fruits of the first kind could be had for one naili of paddy (Nouth-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. pp. 75 and 77); five naili of paddy had to be given in exchange for 18 fruits of the second variety (ibid. p. 127); the third was sold at the rate of 1200 for each kaisu (ibid. p. 151).

Two kinds of sugar were apparently available about the beginning of the 11th century A.D. in the Chôla capital and the country surrounding it. Of the cheaper kind 3½ palam could be purchased for 2 naii, 4 uri, 4 alikku and 4 sevidu of paddy (South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 127), while the more costly variety exchanged at the rate of 1 naii and 1 uri of paddy for ½ palam (ibid. pp. 70 and 71).

Assacratide and lime are not mentioned in any of the Tanjore inscriptions, where common salt and firewood are specially provided for (South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. pp. 75, 77 and 130). The two latter are conspicuous by their onussion in the Ambasamudram record. Perhaps they had no exchange value in the Pandya country during the time of Varaguna. It may also be that temples could obtain both common salt and firewood without any payment.

(the members of the village assembly) might provide (the requirements) day by day! for a long time? without (any) obstruction.

No. 11.— MADRAS MUSEUM PLATES OF VAJRAHASTA III.; SAKA-SAMVAT 984.

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This inscription is found on a set of copper-plates which have been deposited in the Madras Museum. I do not know where they have been originally found. I publish the inscription from excellent ink-impressions supplied by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya, M.A., who describes the plates as follows:—

"The plates are five in number. The first bears writing on the inner side only. The last is completely blank; it was evidently put in to protect the single line of writing on the second side of the fourth plate. The plates have slightly raised rims (though in certain places these are either beaten down or worn away) and are strung on a ring, the ends of which are soldered into the lower part of a round scal. About the middle of the seal is a seated Nandin, whose tail extends to the bottom of the seal. From either side of the hind part of the Nandin proceed what may be taken for lotus buds. On the proper left of the Nandin are two flag-staffs placed one by the side of the other, with a bowl above them; and on the proper right of it are a conch, a lampstand and a dagger. The ring was cut by me. It is not quite circular. The diameter varies between 5° and $4\frac{1}{5}^{\circ}$. The thickness of the ring is $\frac{5}{4}^{\circ}$. The seal is roughly $2\frac{5}{3}^{\circ}$ in diameter. The following measurements of the plates show that, as regards breadth, they are slightly bigger in the middle than at the ends, while, as regards height, the reverse is the case:—

The fourth plate is comparatively small in height, measuring $4\frac{1}{4}$ at the ends and almost 4 in the middle."

The inscription consists of 54 lines. The greater part is in a good state of preservation. The fourth plate, however, is rather corroded, and some passages of it can only be read with difficulty.

The alphabet is Någarî of the same kind as in the Nadagâm plates of Vajrahasta of Śaka-Samvat 979.4 The class nasal, and not the Anusvára, is used before class mutes. Exceptions from this rule are "तोश्चंग" in 1.9, and पंच" in 1.48. Consonants are doubled after « except in "fasiat", 1.26. व is written for a throughout. च has been substituted for m in महीच:, 1.25, and "सत", 1.49. On the other hand, we find m for च in "योतंत्रकः, 1.21, चाभीने, 1.39, and "एवस्यं, 1.54. A nasal with a following guttural or palatal is written in the same way as in the Nadagâm plates. Note further such writings as चसुण्यल, 11.7 and 24, प्रस्थाचित instead of प्रचालित, 1.3, and प्रयोदन्यर" instead of प्रचालित, 1.3, and प्रयोदन्यर instead of प्रचालित, 1.9.

The word nigads is apparently synonymous with nicidam which occurs frequently in the Tanjore inscriptions, and with nisads in the Trichinopole c. ve epigraph of Varaguna (Director-General's Annual for 1903-4, p. 275, text line 19).

In later inscriptions the phrase neduct-golumnum is replaced by the Sanskrit chandradilyavat, 'as long at the moon and the sun (endure).'

Since the above was written, I have had an opportunity of inspecting the original plates together with Mr-Venkayya.

^{*} Above, Vol. IV. p. 183 #.

The language of the inscription is Sanskrit. It contains the same twolve verses as the Nadagâm plates of Śaka-Samvat 979. The remainder of the inscription is in prose. The first 41 lines are almost identical with the corresponding portion of the Nadagâm plates. They are, however, more carefully engraved and give several passages in a more correct form.

The inscription is one of king Vajrahasta (III.), the son of Kamarnava (II.) of the Ganga lineage, and of Vinayamahadevi of the Vaidumba family. His genealogy is given in the same words as in the Nadagâm plates, from Gunamaharnava downwards, including the date of Vairahasta's coronation. The inscription then goes on to state (l. 40 ff.) that 'the devont worshipper of Mahêsvara (Siva), the Paramabhattaraka Maharajadhiraja, the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Anantavarman Vajrahastadeva, being in good health, issues the following order from Kalinganagara, having called together all the subjects, headed by the ministers:'-" Bo it known to you (that), for the increase of the religious merit and fame of (Our) mother, father, and Ourself, the village named Tamaracheru in Varahavartani, combined with the Chikhali hamlet (vataka), circumscribed by the four boundaries, including water and land, free from all molestation, to last as long as the moon, the sun, and the earth, has been granted by Us, with libations of water, as an Agrahára, to five hundred learned Brâhmanas who delight in the six acts of sacrificing, conducting sacrifices, studying, teaching, [giving] and accepting, (and) who are well versed in sacred lore, in the Saka year of the dice (4), the Vasus (8) and the treasures (9), on the occasion of an eclipse of the sun. Therefore (Our gift) should be preserved by future kings in compliance with the law proclaimed by Manu. Moreover, land with the produce of two hundred Murakas of grain has been given, to last as long as the moon and the sun, free from hindrances, to the god Kôtîśvara² for (the maintenance of the rites of) Bali, Chara, Naivėdya, Dipapūjā, and so on. And the repairs of what is broken and tern in this (temple) should without fail be effected by the Brahmanas living there."

The inscription does not add anything to our knowledge of the history of king Vajrahasta III. We only learn that he also had the name Anantavarman, like his grandson Chêdagangadêva.

Of the localities mentioned in the inscription, Kalinganagara has been identified by Mr. Ramamurti³ with the villages Mukhalingam and Nagarakajakam in the Ganjam district Varahavartan¹ occurs in several Gânga grants.⁴ The village of Tâmaracheru is also known from Gânga inscriptions. Its boundaries are given in the Chicacole plates of the Mahārāja Dêvêndravarman,⁵ in which the village Tâmarachheru is granted to three hundred Brâhmanas on the occasion of an eclipse of the sun. The Chicacole plates of the Gânga Mahārāja Indravarman, issued from Kalinganagara in Gângaya-Sanivat 128,⁶ further state that the village of Tâmaracheruva was granted to certain Brâhmanas on the occasion of an eclipse of the moon on the full-moon day of Mârgaŝira. The latter inscription mentions Tâmaracheruva-grâmam bâ(vâ)takā(ka)-sahāta[m](1, 8 f.). This vâṭaka is perhaps identical with the Chikhali-vāṭaka of our inscription. The village of Tâmaracheru has not as yet been identified. It should be looked for in the neighbourhood of Chicacole.

The date of the grant is found in a part of the inscription which has not been so well preserved as the rest. The first word is scarcely logible in the ink-impression. After a careful examination of the original, however, Mr. Venkayya and myself find that the reading k_Fita is certain. The date of the inscription is accordingly the Saka year 984. If we take this to be

Above, Vol. IV. p. 185; Vol. V. Appendix, p. 50, No. 355.

² This was evidently the name of the temple of Siva at Tamaracheru.

⁸ Above, Vol. 1V. p. 187 f.

⁴ Above, Vol. III. p. 127, note 5; Vol. V. p. 185, note 5, etc.

Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 273 ff.

^{*} Ibid. p. 119 ff.

the current Śaka year, the date would correspond to A.D. 1061-62. Professor Kielhorn has been good enough to inform Professor Hultzsch that the only eclipse of the sun which was (slightly) visible in Ganjam between the Śaka years 980—989 took place on the 20th June: A.D. 1061. This would therefore be the date of our inscription.

TEXT.1

First Plate.

- 1 र्चां खस्त मीमतामखिलभुवनविनुतनय[विनयद]यादान[दा]चिष्यसत्य[भौ]-
- 2 चशौर्यधेर्यादिगण्रतपवित्रकाणामात्रेयगोत्राणां विमलविचारा-
- 3 चारपुण्यमलिलप्रच्यालितकलिकालिकलाषमषीणां [महाम]हिन्द्राचल-
- 4 शिखरप्रतिष्ठितस्य मचराचरगरोः मकलभवनिन-
- 5 माणिकस्त्रधारस्य ग्राणाङ्ग[चू]डांमणेर्भगवती गो-
- तण्णेखामिनः प्रसादात्समासादितैकणक्वभेरीप-
- 7 "श्वमाहाग्रव्दधवलच्छवहोमच[ा*]मरवरद्वषभलाञ्चनसमुज्वल-
- 8 'सत्यस्त्रमाम्बाज्यमाहिस्नामनेकसमरमङ्गष्टममुपलव्यविजयलमी-
- 9 समालिङ्गितो[त्तं]ग[भु]जदण्डम[ण्डि]तानां त्रिकलिङ्गम[ही]भुजां [गा-]

Second Plate; First Side.

- 10 [जा]नामन्वयमलङ्गरि[श्योव्विश्योरि]व विक्र(ा)माक्रान्तधरामण्डल-
- 11 स्य गुणमञ्चार्णवमञ्चाराजस्य पुत्र: ॥०॥ पूर्वि भूपतिभर्विभज्ज्य
- 12 वसुधा या पञ्चभि[:*] "पञ्चधा भुक्ता भूरिपराक्रमो "भुजवलान्[i*]म-
- 13 क एव स्वयं [ı*] एकोक्तत¹² विजित्य मत्तनिवहान्¹³ श्रोव-
- 14 अञ्चलसत्वातारिंगतमत्यदार(ा)[स्र]रित्व[:*] सर्वा-
- 15 सरक्तीलमा: ॥ [१*] तस्य तनयो गुग्डमराज विषयं-
- 16 मप[ा*]लयद्महीं ॥ तदनुज: कामार्ण्यवदे[व]: पश्चिविं[श्व]तम-
- 17 [व्ह]कान¹⁶ ॥ तस्यानुजो विनयादित्य[:*] समाम्रसः¹⁷ ॥ ततः¹⁸ कामार्ग्णवा-
- 18 जातो जगतीक ल्पभू कह: [1*] योराजद्राजित:19 चयो वजह(1)-

* Read प्रचालिशकालिकाल°.

- Read °महाशस्द°, ेच्छन्°. °सम्बदल°
- ा Road समस्त , "महिमा", "सम्पन्नस्य", "नुस्मी".
- " This looks like "शाकी श्री बिन.
- * Metre: Sardulavikridita; read भूपतिभि°.
- 10 Before पश्चभा the engravor began to write अ, but subsequently cancelled it.
- 11 Read areno.
- 12 Read 南西.

13 Read ज्ञानवहां की ..

- 14 Read °इम्तधतुश्रत्वा", °विचिवत:.
- 14 Read Oराजी वर्षवय-.
- 16 Read ⁰मञ्दकान्.

- 11 Read समाश्चित:.
- 18 Metre: Śloka; ब्यूबर्व ⁰बाज्जाती.
- u Read दाजितच्छायीः

¹ From the original plates.

² Evpressed by a symbol.

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[॰] Read °चूडामणं को ै. The 4 stroke is not visible in the ink-impression.



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- 19 स्तोवनीपति: ॥ [२*] 'प्रचोदमदगन्धसुन्धमधुपव्यासीढगन्धा[ना]जाबार्छि-'
- 20 भ्यस्मदासङ्ग्रमतुखो य[स्य]ागिनामप्रणी[: ।*] स(:) [त्रीम]ानिय-
- 21 क्रभीमच्पातिगाङ्गान्वयोतंशकः (i) पञ्चनिंगतमन्दकान्यम-
- 22 भनविषधी [स्तृ]तः पार्थिवै: ॥ [३*] तदपस्तुः सुरराजस्तुना
- 23 समस्रामस्तां [श*]मितारिमण्डल: [।*] स्म पाति कामार्ग्णवभूपतिर्भावं
- 24 सम्बार्शनार्धसमा समुख्यस: ॥ [४*] तदनु तदनुजन्मो चित्तजन्मो (प)-
- 25 प्रमानो गुणनिधिरनवद्यो गुज्जमाख्यो महीस:11 [1*] [स*]कलमिदमरचत्रीणि12
- 26 वर्षाणि धाचीवस्रयमसपुरिजोनिर्जितारातिचक्रः॥ [५ $^{f *}$] ततो $^{f is}$ देमातुरस्तस्य म $^{f -}$
- 27 धुकामार्ग्यवी हुप: । भवति स्मावनीमेताम[ब्द]ामेकर्ण्यविंग्रतिं ॥ [६*] ०॥

Third Plate; First Side.

- 28 प्रय¹⁶ वष्यहस्ततृपतेरयसुतादखिलगुणिजनायस्यः [।*] कामा[रुणैवा]-
- 29 "क्ववन्द्रप्रगीयमानावदातग्रभकीर्त्तः ॥ [७*] श्रीय" इव "वैदुम्बान्वय[प]-
- 30 य:पयोनिधिससुद्भवायाच [।*] य(।): समजनि 10विनयम[हा*]देव्या: श्रीवजह-
- 31 स्त इति त[न*]य: ॥ [८*] ²⁰वियदृतुनिधिसंख्या²¹ याति ²²शाकाव्दसङ्घे दिन[क]
- 32 [ति] इत्रवभस्ते" रोडिणीमे सुलग्ने [।*] धतुषि च सितपये" सूर्य्य[वारे] तुः
- ిక तीयांयुजि सकसवरित्री रिचतुं योभिषिता: ॥ [८*] न्याय्येन यत्र
- 34 समसाचरितुं चिवर्णे²⁷ मार्गोण रचति महीम²⁸ महितप्रतापे [।*] नि-[ब्ब्यो]धय-
- 35 **च निरसाच[®] निरापट्य ग्रयत्प**जा[®] भुवि भवन्ति विभूतिमत्य:॥ [१०^{*}] व्या-³¹
- 36 में ³²गङ्कुलोत्तमस्य स्थमसा³³ दि[क्क] जावाले ग्रिशमयोतामिलनेन य-

Third Plate; Second Side.

- 37 स्त्र भुवन(:)प्र[क्क])दसम्पादिना [।*] सिन्दूरैरतिसान्द्रपक्क[प*]टलै[:*] [कुभ]स्त्रली-
- 38 पहनि[घ्व]।सिम्पन्ति पुनः पुनय परितामाधीरणा वारणान³⁴॥ [११^७] ³⁵प्रनुरार्ग-

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1 Metre : Sardulavikridita ; read प्रस्यीत , ेलुच.
                                                                               Read व्यजानार्त्यः
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PRead °ऋपतिर्गाद्गान्वयीचंसकः
                                                                               Bead भनक्पृथ्वी.
                                       7 Read office.
                                                                               Bead Oसमा समुज्ञवल:
Metre: Vamsastha.
                                       10 Read अन्या.
                                                                              11 Read 可看知:.
• Metre : Malini.
" Read " Tanla.
                                       14 Metre : Ślôka ; read देना°.
                                                                              14 Read <sup>0</sup>मन्दानिकान्नविंगति.
                                       16 Read total ?.
                                                                              17 Metre: Giti; read fuu.
15 Metre : Giti.
                                      19 Road विनयमणा.
                                                                              20 Metre : Malinf.
19 Read वैद्या .
                                      39 Read MIGHE.
11 Read of tot.
                 The second | seems to have been cancelled by the engraver.
21 Read इषभस्त्रे.
                                      25 Read <sup>0</sup>यायुजि सवलधरित्री.
                                                                              26 Metre: Vasantatilaka.
34 Read सितपची.
                                                                             29 Read निरमाय.
27 Read चित्रका.
                                      <sup>28</sup> Read नडीम्.
                                      al Metre : Sårdûlavikridita.
                                                                             Bead 7180.
30 Read WEINERI.
                                     M Read प्यान.
                                                                             " Metre : Sloka.
" Read यश्रमा.
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- 39 ण गुणीनी यस्य वश्चीमुखावयोः 2 [\imath^{*}] शाशीने त्रीसरस्रत्यावनुकूले
- 40 विराजत: ॥ [१२*] •॥ 'कलिङ्गनगरातारममाङ्केखरपरमभट्टा-
- 41 रक[म*]हाराजाधिराजिवलिङ्गाधिपतिश्रीमदनन्तवमा व-
- 42 जहस्तदेव[:*] कुश्रली 'समस्तामात्त्यप्रमुखजनपदान्समा[इ]य [स]-
- 43 माजापयित विदितमस्तु भवतां ॥ वराष्ट्रवित्रीन्यां । तामरचे-
- 44 रुगामो नाम (।) चिखलीवाटक्षेन $^{\mathfrak o}$ सममेकीक्रत्य ॥ चतुस्कीमा-
- 45 विच्छवसाजलस्यलसार्विपोडाविद्यक्तितमाचन्दार्केचितिम-

Fourth Plate; First Side.

- 46 मकालं यावन्नातापित्रीरात्मनः पुरुषयशीभि[ब्रह्मये स्नत]व-
- 47 सुनिधिशाकाव्दे । सूर्व्यग्रहोपरागे । विदद्वा य[ज]नया[ज]ना[ध्यय]-
- 48 नाध्यापन[दान*]प्रतियष्ठपद्ममीनरतेभ्यो विद्याव[ची]महा: ॥ पंच-
- 49 "सत[ब्राह्मणे]भ्य उदकपूर्विकं क्रत्वायशारीसाभि:
- 50 प्रदत्तस्तसाद्वाविभि[भू]मि[पा]लैर्म्मुनुनीधमागौ-11
- 51 रवात्परिपालनीयमिति¹² ॥ अपरं च । कोटीखर-
- 52 देवाय भाचन्द्रार्क्षपर्यम्तं निर्म्भिरीधा । 18विलच्चनैवेद्यदीपपू-
- 53 जादार्थं धान्यमुरकशतदयोत्पत्या भूमिईना । तत्र च । खण्डस्मृ-

Fourth Plate; Second Side.

54 टितभग्नघटनं ¹⁶तत्रस्थवाद्वाणेरवस्यं कर्त्तव्यमिति ।

No. 12.— TALAMANCHI PLATES OF VIKRAMADITYA I.; A.D. 660.

BY PROFESSOR E. HULTZSCH, PH.D.; HALLE (SAALE).

This inscription was first published by Messrs. A. Butterworth and V. Venugopal Chetti in their Nellore District Inscriptions, p. 189 ff. According to p. 192 of the same work, the plates were "discovered about 12 years ago by a servant of Adapalli Venkata Reddi of Párlapalli

L Read गुणिनी.

Read Outsul:

[!] Read पासीने.

[·] Read "नगरात्पर्म".

६ Read °मास्य°.

⁶ The engraver had originally written oaiziकन.

⁷ The engraver originally wrote ^oजस्यलस्थल^c, but cancelled the first स्थ. Read [°] विविश्वति ; after the त an I has been cancelled.

⁸ Read unioniec.

^{*} The reading of this word is very uncertain; read perhaps ANAST.

¹⁰ Read MARINO.

¹¹ Read °र्भानिपाणे में नुनी ऋषमांगी-.

¹² Read Cपालनीय इति.

¹⁸ Road atta . 16 Read Caren.

[ा] The engraver seems to have begun to write ताप, but the d-stroke has been left unfinished: res

while ploughing some land known as Talamanchipádu in Talamanchi of Nellore taluk i where a flourishing village is said to have once stood." They "have been sent to the Madras Museum at the request of the owner." I re-edit the inscription from three sets of ink-impressions, kindly prepared at my request by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya, M.A., who describes the original as follows:—

• • Three copper-plates, of which the first and last are engraved on their inner side only. They measure $7\frac{1}{2}$ in breadth. The height of the plates is not uniform. Generally they are higher in the margins than in the middle.

	Height in the margins.	Height in the middle.
1st plate:	31"	31/
2nd plate:	38"	$3\frac{1}{4}''$
3rd plate:	3½" & 3¾"	3 ; "

Through circular holes borod on the left margin of each plate passes an oval ring measuring $2\frac{3}{4}$ by $3\frac{1}{8}$. It is nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ thick. The ends of the ring are secured in the base of a seal, which is also oval and measures 1" by $\frac{3}{8}$ ". The emblems on the seal, which appear to have been engraved in a countersunk surface, are much worn, but show a lump in the middle—perhaps meant to represent a boar. The total weight of the plates with ring and seal is 80 tolas."

The writing on the plates is well preserved, excepting a few letters near the margins of slate i. and plate ii. a. The alphabet resembles that of two other grants of Vikramiditya 1.2 The upadhmdniya is used once (1. 24), a final form of m twice (11. 24, 27), and one of n once 1. 17). The three Dravidian letters l, l and r, the second of which has the same shape as the pudhmdniya, occur in the two village names Elasatti (1. 23) and Kolchumko[nra] (1. 22). The language is Sanskrit. There are four well-known Annshtubh verses: one at the beginning and three near the end; the remainder of the inscription is in prose.

The document was issued in the sixth year of the reign (l. 20) of the (Western) halikya (l. 5) Vikramaditya (I.), the son of Satyáśraya (i.e. Pulakéśin II.), grandson of Cirtivarman (I.) and great-grandson of Polikośin (I.). Each of these four kings receives the ame laudatory epithets as in other published grants of the same period. The new inscription cords the grant of the village of Elasatti, north of Kolchumko[nra], to Śrimēghācharya (l. 22 and 31 f.), the preceptor (guru) of Vikramaditya I., and was written by Vajravarman of the Vaidya family.

The historical importance of the plates lies chiefly in the date of the grant (1. 20 f.), regarding which Prof. Kielhorn kindly contributes the Postscript on p. 102 below. On the strength of the latter I have added the date "A.D. 660" to the title of this article and to the heading of the accompanying Plate.

TEXT.

First Plate.

1 जयत्या[विष्कृतं विष्यो]व्योराइं चोमितापर्य[वं] [।*] दर्चि[यो]झतदंद्राय-विद्यान्तभु-

¹ On the map prefixed to the Nellors District Inscriptions, Talamanchi is marked by the figure '32' on the north of Nellore town.

³ Journ. Bombay Br. R. A. S. Vol. XVI. pp. 235 and 238.

Measrs Butterworth and Venugopal Chetti are unable to identify this village; see Nellore District Inscriptions, Preface, p. vi.

^{&#}x27; From three sets of ink-impressions.

- वन वपु: [॥ १*] त्रीमतां सक्तलभुवनसंस्त्र्यमानमानव्यसगीचाणां द्वारितिपुचा-
- णां सप्तलोकमात्रभिस्त्रप्तमात्रभिर्दाभविष्टितानां कार्त्तिकेयपरिरचल्याप्तक-
- भगववारायणप्रसादसमासादितवराच्चाच्छनेच-खागपरंपराणां
- णचणवयीक्तरायेषमङीध्तां चिक्तवानां कुलमलंकरिच्योरश्रमे-
- धावभ्यसानपवित्रीक्षतगात्रस्य श्रीपीक्षिकेशिवक्रभमत्रातातः
- प्रपोत्रः 'पराक्रमाक्रांन्तवनवास्यादिपरवृपतिमण्डलप्रणिवहविशह-
- ²[व]ग्रडकीर्त्तेश्त्रीकीर्त्तेश्त्रीकीर्त्तिवसापृधिवीवसभमद्वाराजस्य पीतः समर-
- [सं]सत्तसकलोत्तराप[ध]श्वरत्री[इर्षवर्षनपरा]ज[योप]ल[ब्ध]परमेश्वरा-

Second Plate : First Side.

- [पर]नामधेयस्य सत्यात्रयत्रीप्यिवीवसभमहाराजाधिराजपरमेश्व[र]-10
- [स्य] प्रियतनयः चित्रकण्ढाख्यप्रवरतुरंगमेणैकेनैव प्रतीतानेकस-11
- मरमुखेष् रिपुतृपतिक्धिरजनास्नादनरनायज्वलदमन्निमतिनिस्निम्-12
- धारया च धृतधरणीभरभुजगभीगसद्यनिजभुजविजितविजिगीषः 13
- भामकवचावमग्गानेकप्रशारस्यग् शिश्चिय] सवनिपति चित्रया-14
- 'कातैकाधिष्ठितागे[घरा]च्यभरस्तकािचाच्य-15 ⁰न्तरितांमात्मसात्कृत्य
- चये विनष्टानि देवस्वब्रह्मदेयानि धर्मायशोभिवृष्टये स्वसुखेन स्था-16
- पितवान रणियरिस रिपुनरेन्द्रान्दिशि दिशि 17 जिला खवंग्रजां प्राप्य च
- परमेश्वरतामनिवारितविक्रमादित्यः विक्रमादित्यसत्यात्रयत्रीपू-
- [य]वीवसभमद्वाराकाधिराजपरमे[श्वरसाब्वा]ना[जा]प[यति] [॥+] विधित-

Second Plate: Second Side.

- [म]स्तु 10भोसाभि: प्रवर्षमानविजयराज्यबद्भवसरतमे11 श्राव-20
- णमासस्र्येगक्षी13 उदकपूर्व साङ्गोपाङ्गवेदविद्षे वासिष्ठ-21
- सगोवाय श्रीमेघाचार्य्याय खकीयगुरवे की शृचुंकी [न्छ] ग्राम-
- स्थोत्तरपार्श्वे पळमत्तिर्वाम ग्रामः मातापित्रीरासन-23
- ×पुष्ययभीवाप्तये सर्ववीधापरिचारं दत्तम् [।*] भाचन्दार्क-24

¹ Read Carreto.

Read 'anulau'.

[•] Read oषुराता?.

^{7 Read} कतेनाधिष्ठिताश्रव^c.

[&]quot; Bend வி

¹² Read una.

² Cancel the second °विग्रह and the second °की तंदगी ; read °की तिंव के.

¹ Instead of Cania : and Caniania.

^{*} Cancel the anuschra of all and read officerel.

Read oferen.

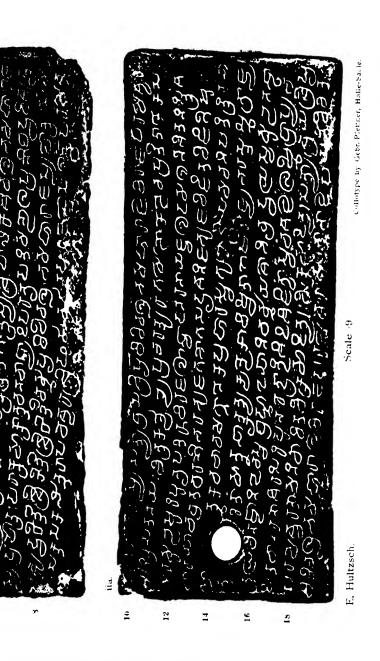
Bead बिदित".

¹¹ Read oaweignet.

to Read draw.

¹⁶ Bead शामी.

⁴⁶ Read समर्थनाधापरिकारी इस:.



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- 25 धरार्च्यवस्त्रितिसमकाकं यग्रचिचीषुभिक्यदक्तिनिर्व्विधेषं परि-
- 26 पालनीयं [u*] खन्दातुं समहच्छकां दुःखमन्यस्य पालनं [ı*] हानं
- 27 वा पासनं दिति दानाच्छेयोनुपासनिमा [॥ २]

Third Plate.

- 28 उन्नं च भगवता वेदव्यासेन व्यासेन' [॥*] बहुभिर्व्यसुधा भुना
- 29 राजभियागरादिभि: [1*] यस्य यस्य यदा भूमिस्तस्य तस्य
- 30 तदा फलं [॥ ३*] खदत्तां परदत्तां वा यी इरित वसुस्थरा[म्।*] षष्टिं व-
- 31 वैसङ्ग्राणि विष्ठायां जायते क्रिमिरिति । [४*] त्रीमेघाचा-
- 32 र्यस्यान्वयस्य ग्रासनं वैद्यान्वयत्रीवव्यवकीणा लिखितं [॥*]
- 33 **खरयस्तु गोब्राह्मणेभ्यः [।*] भी** ॥—

TRANSLATION.

[Verse 1 contains an invocation of the boar-incarnation of Vishnu.]

- Line 2.) The great-grandson of the glorious Polikėši-Vallabha-Mahārāja, whose body was purified by bathing at the end of a horse-sacrifice, (and) who adorned the family of the glorious Chalikyas;⁴
- (L. 7.) The grandson of the glorious Kirtivarma-Prithivivallabha-Maharaja, whose pure fame was established in the territories of hostile kings, such as Vanavasi, which had been subdued by (his) valour;
- (L. 8.) The dear son of Satyaśraya-Śrîprithivîvallabha-Maharajadhiraja-Parameśvara, who acquired the surname of 'supreme lord' (parameśvara) by defeating the glorious Harshavardhana, the lord of the whole northern country, who had encountered (him) in battle;
- (L. 11.) He who, at the head of many famous battles, (assisted) by none but (his) noble steed named Chitrakantha and by the edge of (his) glittering, spotless and sharp sword which behaved like a tongue in licking the blood of hostile kings, conquered would-be conquerors by his own arms which resembled the coils of the serpent who carries the burden of the earth; not whose own armour many blows had plunged; who, having gained for himself the royalty of his father, which had been concealed by the triad of kings, caused the burden of the whole kingdom to be governed by (himself) alone; who, for the increase of (his) merit and fame, by his own mouth confirmed the property of temples and the grants to Brahmanas which had lapsed in that triad of kingdoms; the sun of whose valour (hecame) irresistible after he had recovered at the head of battles the royalty belonging to his family from the hostile kings of every quarter, and after he had acquired the title of 'supreme lord' (paraméévara); Vikramaditya-Satyasraya-Śriprithivivallabha-Maharajadhiraja-Paraméévara commands all people (as follows):—
- (L. 19.) "Be it known to you (that), in the sixth year of (Our) reign of growing victory, at an eclipse of the sun in the month of Śrâvaņa, the village named Eļasatti on

¹ Read °नमिति.

The d of any is expressed twice.

^{*} Expressed by a symbol.

^{*} The usual epithets of this family (11. 2-5) are omitted in the translation.

I.e. Pulakééin II.

⁸ Vis. the Chô|a, Pândya and Kêrala. Compare one of the epithets applied to Vikramâditya I. in the grants of his son Vinayâditya, above, Vol. V. p. 202, note 18.

the northern side of the village of **Kolchumko[nra]** has been given by Us, with libations of water, with exemption from all molestation, to Our own preceptor (guru) **Srimeghacharya** of the Vâsishtha gôtra, who knows the Vêdas with (their) Angas and $Up\^angas$, in order that (Our) mother and father and Ourself might obtain merit and fame. As long as the moon, the sun, the earth and the occans shall exist, (this grant) should be protected without distinction from their own gifts by those who desire to accumulate fame."

[Verses 2-4 contain the usual admonitions to future rulers.]

(L. 31.) (This) edict (in favour) of the family of Srîmêghâchârya was written by the illustrious Vajravarman of the Vaidya family. Let there be welfare to cows and Brâhmanas! Om.

POSTSCRIPT.

By Professor F. Kielhorn, C.I.E.; Göttingen.

The inscription edited above by Prof. Hultzsch is dated in the 6th year of the reign of the W. Chalukya Vikramâditya I., at the time of a solar eclipse in the month ŝrâvaṇa. From page 2 of Appendix II. to Vol. VIII. of this Journal it will be seen that this date must necessarily fall between A.D. 635 and 685; and from what we know to be the general rule regarding eclipses that are quoted in dates, we may conclude that the eclipse here referred to most probably was one that was visible at Bâdâmi, the capital of the W. Chalukyas, situated in about Long. 76° and Lat. 16°.

Now it so happens that during the fifty years from A.D. 635 to 685 there was, in both the purnimanta and the aminta month Śrivana, only a single solar eclipse that could have been at all visible at Bâdâmi, viz. the eclipse which took place 3 h. 5 m. after mean sunrise of Monday, the 13th July A.D. 660. That eclipse, an annular one, was fully visible at Bâdâmi, and the 13th July A.D. 660 was the 15th of the dark half of the purnimanta Śrāvana. We may compare especially the solar eclipse in the date of the Pattadakal duplicate pillar inscription of the reign of the W. Chalukya Kîrtivarman II. (No. 48 of my Southern List), of the 25th June A.D. 754, which likewise took place in the purnimanta Śrāvana; and to show that in early times the purnimanta scheme of the months was prevalent in Southern India, we may also cite the solar eclipse in the date of No. 9 of the List, which took place in the purnimanta Bhâdrapada, and the solar eclipse in the date of No. 551 of the List, which took place in the purnimanta Phâlguna.

Monday, the 13th July A.D. 660 (in Śaka-sańvat 582) would thus be in every way a suitable equivalent of our date; that it is its true equivalent is rendered more than probable by the date of the Nerûr plates of the queen Vijayabhattârikâ (No. 23 of my Southern List). That date corresponds to the 23rd September A.D. 659, and is of the 5th year of a reign of which hitherto it appeared doubtful whether it was the reign of Vikramâditya's eldest brother Chandrâditya or of Vikramâditya himself. Since we now have a date in A.D. 660 which would be a most proper equivalent for a date of the 6th year of the reign of Vikramâditya I., the date in A.D. 659 must surely be definitely assigned to the 5th year of the same reign, and the two dates in my opinion must be taken to prove that Vikramâditya I. commenced to reign between some time in September A.D. 654 and July A.D. 655.

¹ Dr. Fleet, in his Dynasties, p. 268, arrived at the conclusion that "we shall probably be very close to the mark, if we place the formal commencement of his reign somewhat in the autumn of A.D. 655."

No. 13,—MANDHATA PLATES OF DEVAPALA AND JAYAVARMAN II. OF MALAVA.

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Of the Paramara kings, who ruled over Malava for more than three hundred years, there have been published hitherto the texts of twelve copper-plate and three stone inscriptions. We have besides short notices of about half a dozen other stone inscriptions, generally of small extent or importance. Of the copper-plate inscriptions, three were first edited by Colebrooke in 1824, two by L. Wilkinson in 1836 and 1838, one by Rajendralal Mitra in 1850, and three by FitzEdward Hall in 1860 and 1861. Of the stone inscriptions, the largest was first edited by Bal Gangadhar Shastri in 1843, and another by FitzEdward Hall in 1859. And from these editiones principes the genealogy of the Paramaras of Malava, with most of their dates, might have been drawn up, about fifty years ago, very nearly as I have given it above, Vol. VIII. App. 1. pp. 14 and 15. Moreover, of so important a king as Udayâditya we even to-day hardly possess more than that 'wretched scrawl,' made known in 1840, of a person 'who knew nothing of Udayaditya's family.' I mention this to show how little that is really new we have learnt about Malava, from its own records, for half a century, and to indicate what chances are open to the officials of the Archeological Survey of India to enrich our knowledge of the histhry of that country. For, in my opinion, a systematic search for inscriptions in the ancient Malava country will be sure to bring to light numerous documents of importance. Even now such a search has been well inaugurated.

In 1903 there were discovered at Dhar the inscriptions published above, Vol. VIII. p. 96 ff. and p. 241 ff., highly interesting from a literary point of viow. And in 1904 and 1905 were found, at or near Mandhata, the two copper-plate inscriptions now here edited. These plates are of some value inasmuch as they show how Dévapala, one of the later kings of Malava who was already known to us, was related to preceding rulers, and as they give us the names of two sons of his, Jaitugidéva and Jayavarman [II.], who, one after the other, succeeded him.

A.-MÂNDHÂTÂ PLATES OF DÊVAPÂLA; [VIKBAMA-]SAMVAT 1282.

These plates were found, in May 1905, near the temple of Siddhésvara at Mandháta, an island in the Narmadâ (Narbadâ, Norbudda) river attached to the Nimâr district of the Central Provinces.¹ They were discovered enclosed in a chest made of two stones, 1' 8½" long by 1'5½" broad. They are now in the Provincial Museum at Nâgpur, to which they have been resented by Rao Jaswant Singh of Mandhátâ. The first account of them was given by an old pupil of mine, Mr. Lele, Director of Education in the Dhâr State; and a transcript of the ascription engraved on them, with a translation and notes, was afterwards furnished to the authorities by Mr. Pyari Lal Ganguli, pleader of Nimâr. The text and a translation, with an attraduction, have also been sent to the Government Epigraphist by Pandit Hiranand Shastri, Jurator of the Nâgpur Museum. At Prof. Hultzsch's request, I edit the inscription which is on these plates from impressions kindly supplied by Mr. Cousens.

The inscription is on three plates, which are stated to measure about 1'5½" broad by 1' high, and of which the second is inscribed on both sides, while the first and third plates are

¹ Seo Gazetteer of the Central Provinces, p. 257 ff.; Countable's Hand Atlas of India, Plate 27, Cd; and above, Vol. III. p. 46. On the temple of Siddhéévara see also Archael. Survey of India, Annual Report, 1903-04, p. 57.

Mr. Lele at the time most kindly offered to send me impressions of the plates, but was somehow or other prevented from doing so. I take the opportunity of thanking him here also publicly for the generosity with which he has made over to me his valuable impressions of the DhAr inscriptions published in Vol. VIII. of this Journal.

inscribed on one side only. The writing on the several sides covers a space between 1'4" and 1'4" broad by between 10\frac{1}{2}" and 11\frac{1}{2}" high. In the lower proper right corner of the first side of the third plate a space about 2" broad by 3" high is marked off by double lines, which enclose an engraving of the mythical bird Garuda, the exact shape of which may be seen from the accompanying photo-lithograph.\frac{1}{2} The plates are held together by two rings for which there are two holes in each plate; these rings, 1 am informed, are open and were apparently never soldered together.

The three plates contain 80 lines of well-engraved writing, which is in so perfect a state of preservation that, with the exception of not more than three aksharas, every letter may be read with absolute certainty. In line 40 a vacant space is left for four aksharas which may have been illegible in the original from which the inscription was copied; and there is a similar vacant space for two aksharas in line 54. The size of the letters is between "" and "". The characters are Nagara of the period to which the inscription belongs, and the language is Sanskrit. The forms of individual letters hardly call for any remarks. Attention may be drawn to the initial i and i (s.g. in iva, l. 4, and Udaio, l. 50), and to the initial i (in esha, l. 17) and au (e.g. in Audalya-, 1. 27, and Aurvra-, 1. 40); perhaps also to the forms of th (e.g. in purushûrtha-, 1. 1,) and ksh (e.g. in silkshût=, 1. 1). It may also be stated that the signs for t and bh, and those for ddh and dv, often are so much alike that it is very difficult to distinguish between them. As the 22 verses in lines 1-17 are all numbered, the inscription offers specimens of all numeral figures; and in lines 28, 34, 49 and 50, it gives the fraction 1/2, denoted by two vertical lines, placed, as the case may be, after a numeral or the sign for nought.2 In line 79 before the word rachitam=, the text contains a peculiar symbol (perhaps a monogram), th meaning of which I am unable to explain .- As regards orthography, the sign for v denote both b and v; the dental sibilant is used instead of the palatal about 30 times, and the palata instead of the dental about 25 times (even in such ordinary words as sutah for sutah, l. ! Sâmavêda- for Sâmavêda-, 1. 29, etc.); ri is used for ri in Rishi-, 1. 60, and ri for ri in tri' fo tri' (i.e. trivéda-), 1. 29 and elsewhere, and in Saktri- for Saktri-, 1l. 23 and 71; j is employed instead of y in jaso- for yaso-, l. 73, and in the names Jasodhara-, l. 29, and Jasadova- (for Yaśôdéva-), l. 64; and ksh for khy in Śūmkshâyana-, l. 46. The occasional employment of dy dv and dhv for ddy, ddv and ddhv need perhaps hardly be mentioned; but I may add that the word tâmratâm is written tâmvratâm in line 2, and that the sign of avagraha is employed three times, in sosabhuta, 1 15, dayosyam=, 1.75, and vudhvasmad, 1.75. There are a few clerical errors not referred to in the above, that can all be easily corrected.—The inscription, in lines 1-17. has 22 verses which chiefly contain genealogical matter, and of which verses 1-19 were already known to us from the three grants of king Arjunavarman.3 In addition to them, we have in lines 20-22 the well-known verse commencing with Vatabhra-vibhramam-idam vasudh-adhipatyam which, with a single exception, cocurs in all Paramara plates; and in lines 75-79 four benedictive and imprecatory verses, the last of which, commencing with Iti kamaladalambuvindu-loliam is common to all Paramara plates. The rest of the text is in prose. In the poetical portion we find in line 6 the (as far as I can see, perfectly correct) adjective udd@nan,6 instead of udd@ma which alone is given by the dictionaries. And in the prose part there occurs, in lines 72 and

¹ Similar representations of Garuda are found on all complete plates of the Paramaras of Malava, of which facsimiles have been published; compare e. g. above, Vol. III. Plate opposite p. 50.

² Compare above, Vol. VII. p. 85.

^{*} Nos. 195, 197 and 198 of my Northern List.

Viz. the Ujjain plates of Våkpatiråja, published in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 160.

^{*} I know of no grammatical rule by which a compound formed of ud and ddman (in the sense of ddman udgatah) would become udddma, and most of the passages, which in the dictionaries are quoted under uddama, might just as well be placed under udddman. In his commentary on Raghueamia I. 78, Mallinatha actually explains udddman-diggajs by uddamano ddman udgata diggajs.

73, the strange revenue term shamhalátama[ka]-samanvita, which I have not met with elsewhere and am unable to explain.

The inscription records a grant of land by the Paramara (or Pramara) king - Maharaja, as he is styled in line 80- Dêvapâla of Malava. A full translation of the introductory verses will be given below. As has been already stated, up to the end of verse 19 (in line 15) the text is identical with the introductory part of the three published grants of the Paramara Arjumavar-'man, and so far contains little more than a list of kings who were ruling ever Malaya: Bhôjadeva, Udayaditya, his son Naravarman, his son Yasôvarman, his son Ajayavarman, his son Vindhyavarman, his son Subhatavarman, and his son Arjuna (Arjunavarman). Vindhyavarman and Subhatavarman were at war with the Gurjaras, and the first of them recovered Dhara, which must have been taken possession of by the enemy.\(^1\) Arjuna in his youth out to flight Jayasimha, of whom it is elsewhere said that he was a king of Gurjara and belonged to the Chaulukya family (of Anahilapataka).2 To the nineteen verses of Arjunavarman's grants only three new verses (vv. 20-22) are added here, which tell us that on Arjuna's death he was succeeded in the government of Malava by Devapala and record the name of this king's father. When I published the Harsauda inscription of Dêvapala, I had to point out that by certain epithets in that inscription Dêvapâla was clearly connected with the Mahâkumâras Lakshmivarmadêva, his son Hariśchandradêva, and his son Udayavarmadêva of Dhârà. Verse 21 of our inscription now informs us that Dêvapâla actually was a son of Harischandra (and herefore a brother of the Mahákumára Udayavarman, whose plates are dated in A.D. 1200). In the Harsanda inscription, which is dated in A.D. 1218, only three years after the date of the atest known grant of Arjunavarman, Dêvapâla, unlike his brother and his father and grandather, is styled Maharajadhiraja. This, together with the fact that he succeeded Arjunavarnan, would indicate that in him the two branches of the Paramara family which till then had separately held sway over Malava became reunited, or that one of thom ceased to exist.4 Besides the Harsandâ stone and the present plates, the date of which will be considered below, we know of two inscriptions of Dêvapâla's reign, dated in about A.D. 1229 and probably 1232.5

In lines 17 ff. Dêvapâla informs all king's officers, Brâhmans and others, and the Pattakila and other people dwelling at the village of Satâjunā in the Mahuada pratijūgaranaka, that, while staying at Mâhishmati, on the occasion of an eclipse of the moon on the full-moon tithi in the month Bhâdrapada in the year 1282 (given in words), after bathing in the Rêva (i.e. Narmadâ) and worshipping Śiva (at the temple) in the neighbourhood of (the temple of Vishnu) Daityasûdana, he granted the village of Satâjunā, (as stated in lines 72 and 73) well defined as to its four boundaries (kaākata), etc., to certain Brâhmans enumerated in lines 22-71; and (in line 74) he orders the resident Pattakila and others to give to these Brâhmans the customary share of the produce and money-rout, etc., excepting what was already enjoyed

¹ The context would indicate that Dhara had been taken by the Gürjaras.

² See now above, Vol. VIII: p. 99; compare also below, p. 118, note 2.—In Merutunga's Prabandhachintd-mani, p. 249 f., we are told that the Mâlava king Sôhada (i.e. Subbatavarman), when about to invade the Gdrjara country, turned back from its frontier on hearing the verse: Pratapó rajandrianda púrvasyám-éva rajadé | 16 éva cilayam ydti paschimásávalambinan | ; but that afterwards the Gdrjara country was 'broken' by his son Arjunadéva.

¹ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 311.

⁴ See ibid. Vol. XIX. p. 848.

⁵ Nos. 207 and 214 of my Northern List.

The text has some paravani instead of the fuller and ordinary some grahana-parani; similarly saryaparani is used instead of saryagrahana-parani, e.g. in the dates of No. 356 of my Northern List and of Nos. 389and 380 of my Southern List.— I may add that, excepting the Mandhata plates of Jayasimha, published above,
Vol. III. p. 48, the word parani occurs in the dates of all fully preserved Paramara plates that have been hitherto
published. We have pavitraka-paravani in No. 46 of my Northern List, somagrahana-paravani in No. 49 and
121, udagayana-paravani in No. 57, samidta-saryaparani in No. 172, Mahd-Vaiidkhydin paravani in No. 189,
18hishéka-parani in No. 195, saryagrahana-parani in No. 197, and chandroparaga-parani in No. 198.

by gods (i.e. temples) and Bråhmans. After the usual appeal to future kings to preserve this grant and the imprecatory verses, the date (in line 79) is repeated in figures, with the additional remark that the day was a Thursday.

I may state here at once that, so far as the week-day is concerned, the date is incorrect. The full-moon tithi of Bhadrapada ended—

- in the current Chaitradi Vikrama year 1282: 10 h. 50 m. after mean sunrise of Friday, the 30th August A.D. 1224;
- in the expired Chaitrâdi Vikrama year 1282: on Tuesday, the 19th August A.D. 1225; and
- in the expired Karttikadi Vikrama year 1282: on Monday, the 7th September A.D. 1996.

None of the possible equivalents of the date therefore was a Thursday. On the other hand, there was an eclipse of the moon— a partial one— from 17 h. 45 m. to 20 h. 13 m. after mean sunrise, and therefore visible in India, on the second of the three possible days, and I have no doubt that that day, Tuesday, the 19th August A.D. 1225, is really the day on which the grant was made, and that in line 79 'Thursday' has been erroncously put down instead of 'Tuesday.'

Of the localities mentioned above, Mahishmatl, from where the grant was made, is Maheswar, a town in the Indore State, Central India Agency, situated in Long. 75° 37' and Lat. 22° 11', on the northern bank of the Narmada (Constable's Hand Atlas of India, Plate 27, B d). The village of Satajuna exists still under the same name—the Indian Atlas has 'Satajana'—about 13 miles south-west of Mandhata in Long. 76° 3' and Lat. 22° 8' (Indian Atlas, sheet 54). Mahuada, after which the pratijdgaranaka or district was called, probably is the village of 'Mohod,' about 25 miles south of 'Satajana,' in Long. 76° and Lat. 21° 48'. Below, in line 23 of the inscription B., we have Mahuada-pathaka', clearly equivalent to Mahuada-pratijagaranaka'. Among other Paramara grants, the word for 'district' is pathaka also in No. 57 of my Northern List, and pratijagaranaka in Nos. 172, 189, 195 and 198. The latter term long ago has been identified with the modern pargana, 'a district or tract of country including a number of villages.'

An abstract list of the dones will be given below, p. 115 f. From that list it will be seen that their number was 32, and that the proceeds of the village granted to them were divided into 325 shares (vantaka), in such a manner that 26 donces received one share each, 3 half a share each, 2 one share and a half each, and 1 (the mahdraju-pandita or 'king's Pandit' Gosé') two shares. The original in each case gives the gôtra and pravaras of the donee, the names of his father and grandfather, and his place (or country) of origin; also, with two exceptions, the Vêdic sákhá or Vêda studied by him. The gôtras, sákhás and localities so mentioned may be seen from the list; the names of the donees' fathers and grandfathers are given in a separate, alphabetical list, below, p. 116 f. The two lists will show that, with a single exception, the people referred to in the preceding are distinguished by certain epithets which are prefixed to their names, and which generally refer to their religious occupation and are mostly given in abbreviated forms. In alphabetical order, these opithets are: agnic, i.e. agnihôtrin; avao or avasathika; upá°, i.e. upádhyáya: cha° or chaturvéda; tha°, i.e. thakkura; tri° (for tri°), i.e. triveda; di°, i.e. dikshita; dvi°, i.e. deiveda; pairo or paindio, i.e. pandita; pathao, i.e. pathaka; yajni, i.e. yajnika: śu' or sukla; śrôtrio, i.e. śrôtriya. In addition to these, we have panchao in line 7!, rajan in line 37, and maharajapandita in line 39. About the meaning of pasicha" I am somewhat doubtful. The meaning that first suggested itself to me was panchakula; but as most of the other epithets refer to religious occupations, I would rather

¹ The inscription B. (in lines 32, 34, 36 and 37) shows that the word vautaka is synonymous with pade, 'a share.'

³ Ke probably is the Goscka, mentioned in line 51 of the inscription B.

take pañcha° to be equivalent to pańchakalpin (pańchôli) which occurs as an epithet of two persons (father and son) in Prof. Weber's Catalogue of the Berlin MSS., Vol. II. p. 96. In the case of 20 donees the same epithet is borne by grandfather, father and son; in 7 cases the grandfather and father have the same epithet, and the son has a different one; and in one case the epithet of father and son is the same, while that of the grandfather differs. In the four remaining cases we have the sequences: dikshita, dvasathika, śukla; upādhydya, agnihôtrin, dikshita; agnihôtrin, dikshita, dvasathika; and agnihôtrin, upādhydya, dvasathika. Speaking from personal experience, I remember that many of my Indian pupils had one or the other of the above mentioned terms as surnames — Dikshit, Padhye, Pathak, Pandit, Shukle, etc.— which they probably have handed down unchanged to their children and children's children.

Of the places with which the donees are connected, I take Mahâvana-sthâna to be Mahâban, a town in the Muttra district of the United Provinces (Constable's Hand Atlas, Plate 27, C b); Tripuri-sthâna is Towar, a village in the Jabalpur district of the Central Provinces, about six miles west of Jabalpur; Akôlâ-sthâna probably is Akola in Berar (ibid. Plate 31, D a), and Mathurâ-sthâna is Muttra in the United Provinces (ibid. Plate 27, C b). Piṇḍvânaka-sthâna apparently is the Pêṇḍvânaka, mentioned above, Vol. V. p. 210, now the town of Didwânal in Jôdhpur, Râjputâna (ibid. Plate 27, B b). Regarding the remaining places I cannot offer any definite suggestions. Mutâvathû-sthâna is the same place which is mentioned as Muktâvasthû-sthâna in the three grants of Arjunavarman; and Hastinâpura may be the village of Hathinâvara (on the northern bank of the Narmadâ in the Pagârâ pratijâgaranaka), which was granted by Arjunavarman's grant published in Journ. Am. Or. Soc. Vol. VII. p. 27. With Takârî-sthâna compare 'Ṭakârî,' above, Vol. III. p. 350, and note 13. The names Âśrama-sthâna and Sarasvatì-sthâna I have not found elsewhere. On the other hand, Madhyadêsa is too well known to call for any remark here.

After the date in line 79, the text of our inscription has the three aksharas $d\hat{u}^{\circ}$ fr mn, followed by the numeral 3 and a peculiar mark the exact shape of which may be seen from the photolithegraph. The first akshara of course stands for $d\hat{u}$ take or $d\hat{u}$ take, and should be followed by a name to which the word fr would have been prefixed; but I do not know whether any or what name may be intended to be denoted by mu 3 and the following symbol. We find the same mu 3 (probably followed by the same mark which we have here) also in the two grants of Arjunavarman in Journ. Am. Or. Soc. Vol. VII. pp. 29 and 33.

The inscription then has the statement that 'this was composed by the king's preceptor (rāja-guru) Madana, with the approbation of the mahāsānāhivigrahika (or great minister of peace and war), the learned Bilhapa'—a statement which occurs also in Arjanavarman's grant in Journ. Am. Or. Soc. Vol. VII. p. 33, and (with mahāpanātā instead of mahāsānāhivigrahika-panātā) in the same king's grant in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. Vol. V. p. 379. On Madana, who may reasonably be taken to have composed merely the introductory verses of the inscription, see now above, Vol. VIII. p. 99. As regards Bilhana, in verse 7 of the prasasti at the end of Āsādhara's Dharmāmṛita' 'the learned Bilhana, the lord of poets,' is described as 'the mahāsānāhivigrahika of the glorious king Vindhya (Vindhya-bhāpati).' Since this king Vindhya can be no other than Arjunavarman's grandfather Vindhyavarman,' it might seem as if his mahāsānāhivigrahika Bilhana could not be the Bilhana of Arjunavarman's grant and of the present inscription. But in my opinion there are not for the present any valid reasons why the

¹ In Prof. Peterson's Third Report, App. I. p. 335, the town is called Dimdardnanayara.

² See Journ. Am. Or. Soc. Vol. VII. pp. 27 and 32, and Journ. As. Soc. Beng. Vol. V. p. 379 (where the published text has Muktdrasu-sthdna).

² See Dr. Bhandarkar's Report on the search for Sanskrit MSS. during 1883-34, p. 891.

⁴ Vindhya-bhapati has been taken to mean 'king of the Vindhyas or Malava'; but as Arjuna-bhapati in the same praiasti denotes Arjunavarman, the former can only denote Vindhyavarman.

two should not be considered to be identical. Of the length of the reign of Arjunavarman's father we know nothing; and all we know in this respect about Arjunavarman is, that he reigned during the five years from A.D. 1211 to A.D. 1215. Besides, it should be borne in mind that Åŝâdhara himself, from whose work the above statement is taken, was a contemporary of no less than five successive kings of Mâlava, from Vindhyavarman to Dêvapâla's son Jaitugidêva.

The inscription ends with the words: 'this is the own hand (i.e. the sign-manual) of the Mahārāja, the glorious Dévapāladéva,' followed by the usual maṅgalah mahā-śrāh.

TEXT,2

First Plate.

- 1 Om³ || Om namah purushartha-chûdamanayê dharmmâya || 'Prativimya-bnibhâd= bhûmêh kritya sakshat-pratigraham | jagad=Ahlâdayan=disya[d*]-dvijêm-
- 2 drò manigalàni vah [(||) 1 [(||) Jîyât-Parasurâmô-sau kshatraih kshuṇṇam raṇ-âhataih | saindhyârkka-vimvam-fêv-ôrvvî-dâtur-yasy-ê(ai)ti tâmvratâm⁷ [(||) 2 ||
- 3 Yêna Maindôdarîvâshpa-vâribhih sa(śa)mitô mridhê | prânôsva(śva)rî-viyôgâgnih sa Râmah śrêyasê-stu vah |(||) 3 |(||) Bhîmên=âpi dhritâ mû[r*]ddhni yat-pâdâh
- 4 sa Yudhishthirah | vains(s)-fidyên=êmdunâ jîyât-su-tulya⁸ iva nirmitah |(||) 4 |(||) Paramarakul-êttanisah Kamsajin-mahimâ nripah | srî-Bhêjadêya ity=fi-
- 5 sîn-nâsîrakrânta-bhûtalah |(||) 5 |(||) Yad-yasaschamdrik-ûdyôtê digutsamgatarangitê | dvishannripa-yasahpumjapumdarîkai[r*]=nimîlitam |(||) 6 |(||) Tatôbhû-
- 6 d Udayádítyó nityótsáh-aikakautuki | asádhárana-vírasrír-asrí-hétur-viródhinám |(||) 7 |(||) Mahákalaha-kalpámtó yasy-óddámabhir-ásu(su)-
- 7 gaiḥ | kati n=ônmûlitâs tuṅgâ bhûbhritaḥ kaṭak-ôlvaṇâḥ |(||) 8 |(||)
 Tasmâch=chhinna-dvishanmarmā Naravarmā narādhipaḥ | dharmô(rm-â)bhynddharaṇô dhîmân-abhût=sîmâ
- 8 mahîbhujanı |(||) 9 |(||) Prati-prabhâtam viprêbhyê dattai[r]=grâma-padaiḥ svayam | anêkapadatâm ninyê dharmmê yên-aika-pâd-api |(||) 10 |(||) Taty(sy)-âjani Yasêvarımmê
- 9 putrah kshatriya-sêkharah | tasmâd=Ajayavarm=âbhûj=jayasrî-visrutah su(su)tah | (||) 11 | (||) Tat-sûnur=vvîra-mûrddhanyê dhany-êtpati(tti)r=ajâyata | Gûrjarê-chehhêda-
- 10 nirvvanidhî¹⁰ Vimdhyavarmâ mahâ-bhujab |(||) 12 |(||) Dhâray=ôddhritayâ sârddham dadhâti sma tridhâratâm | sâmyugînasya yasy=âsis=trâtum lôkatrayîm=iva |(||) 13 |(||)
- 11 Tasy=amushyayanah putrah Sutrama-srîr-ath-asishat | bhûpah Subhatavarmm-êti dharminê tishthan-mahî-talam |(||) 14 |(||) Yasya jvalati dig-jêtuh pratapas-tapana-dyu-
- 12 têḥ | dâvâgní-chchhadman=âdy=âpi ¹¹garjjad-Gûrjjara-pattanê |(||) 15 |(||) Dêva-bhûyam gatê tasmin=namdanê-rjjuna-bhûpatti(ti)ḥ | dôshṇâ dhattê=dhunâ dhâtrî-valayam valayam

¹ See the inscription B., below.

Proted by a symbol.

b Read pratibimba -.

¹ Read tamratam.

[&]quot; Read - 8ddy 8t8.

² From an impression supplied by Mr. Cousens.

⁴ Metre of verses 1-22: Sloks (Anushtubh).

⁶ Read -bimbam -.

⁸ Read svatelya.

¹⁰ Read -nir Mandht.

¹¹ The editions of the plates of Arjunavarman have garjan=; but garjjad- is the reading also of R., below, p. 12i, line 14.

- 13 vathâ |(||) 16 |(||) Vâ(bâ)lalîl-âhavê yasya Jayasimhê palâyitê | dikshu vijrimbhitam |(||) 17 |(||) Kavyagamdharvva-sarvvasvav vâjêna yasô nidhina
- sâmpratam | bhâr-Avatarapam² 14 ° vêna¹ dêvyâś-chakrê pustaka-vîņayôh Yêna trividha-vîrêpa I(II)tridhâ pallavitam yasah | dhayalatyam dadhustrîni ja-
- gamti katham=amya(nya)tha 15 |(||) = 19I(II)Ath=arthinam=apunyena punyéna svargga-subhruvám | sô 3dbhutatyågasílas-cha srimgárí cha divam gatah |(||) 20 |(||) Ta-
- 16 tah Pramara-chamdrasya Hariśchamdrasya namdanah | raraksha Malavakshônîm Dévapálah pratapavan I(II)Pavitra-karapadmašya(sya) I(II)dânavâri-vijrim.
- 17 bhitaih | na vidmô Dêvapâlasya dêvapâlasya ch-âintaram 1(II) 22ĉsha nara-nâyakah sarvv-âbhyudayî ||3 Mahuada-pratijâgaranakê Satû-
- samasta-rājapurushān=vrā(brā)hman-ôttarān=pratinivāsi(si)-paṭṭakila-janapad-âdînis cha vô(bô)dhayaty-astu vah samvidi-
- śrî-Mähishmati-sthitair-asmābhihr-4dvyasityadhika-dvadasasata-19 tam yathâ |3 samvatsarê Bhûdrapadê mâsê paurnnamasyûm sô-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 20 ma-parvvaņi Rêvâyâm snâtvâ śrî-Daityasûdana-sannidhan bhagavantain Bhavâuî-patim samabhyarchchya samsårasy=åsåratåm drishtvå | tathá hi II
- 21 tâbhra-vibhramam=idain vasu(su)dh-âdhipatyam=⁶âpâtamâtra-madhurô vishavópabhógah | pránásztrinágrajalavimdu-samá naránám dha-
- sakhâ paralôka-yânê || iti param=ahô sarvvain vimrisy=adrishtaphalam-aingikritya ||7 Aśramasthana-vinirggataya Vajimadhyaindinasa-
- kh-adhyayinê Parasa[ra*]-gôtraya Parasa-Saktri-Vasishth-atis tri-prayaraya śrôtri 9 Dâmôdara-pautrâya śrôtri° Vra(bra)hma-putrâya śrôtri° Gaingâdha-
- 24 rasa(sa)rmmanê vrå(brå)hmanåya vamțakam-ôkam 1 Mahavanasthanavinirggatâya Pavitra-gôtrâya Gârggyn-Gaurivît-Amgiras-êti tri-pravarâya Âsva-
- làyanasâkh-âdhyâyinô dî°10 Gamgâdhara-pautrâya âvasa(sa)thika-Mahaditya-putrâya śukla-Bhadrêsva(śva)rasa(śa)rmmaņê vrā(brā)hmaņāya vaintakam ê-
- 26 kam 1 Mahavanasthana-vinirggatāya Pavitra-gôtrāya Garggya-Gaurivit-Âingiras-ôti tri-pravarâya Aśvalâyanaśâkh-âdhyâyinê dî° Śim(sim)ha-
- 27 kamtha-pautraya su°11 Madhukamtha-putraya έu° Chaindrakainthasa(śa)rmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vaintakam=êkam l Mahâvanasthâ[na*]-vinirggatâya Audalyagôtrâya¹² Mâ-
- 28 dhyamdinasakh-adhyayinê dî° Padmasvâmi-pantrâya Trilôchana-putrâya dî° Nârâyanasa(áa)rmmanê v
râ(brâ)hmanâya sârdham vamțakam=êkam l $\frac{1}{2}$ Ma-

⁵ Instead of the akshara dhd originally dhau seems to have been engraved.

¹ Originally yema was engraved.

² The edition of the grant of Arjunavarman in Journ. Am. Or. Soc. Vol. VII. p. 26, has bhardvatdranam.

These signs of punctuation are superfluous.

Read wasmabhirm. ⁵ Metre: Vasantatilaka.

This sign of punctuation is superfluous. Here and in other places below the rules of samdhi have not been

Originally Pardid-Śa° was engraved. Read Pardiara-Śaktri-Vasishth-tti, where the name Śaktri, selsewhere, would stand for the more correct Sakti. See below, line 71.

I.s., here and below, frotriya-

¹⁰ I.e., here and below, dtkshita.

¹¹ I.e., here and below, fukla-.

¹² Here the pravaras are omitted.

- 29 hávanasthána-vinirggatáya Kátyáyana-götráyal Śá(sá)mavôd-âdhyáyinð tri Râmésva(sva)ra-pautráya tri Jasôdhara-³putráya tri Sûrasarmmaņð vrá(brá)hmanáya vanitakam=8-
- 30 kan 1 Takûrîsthâna-vinirggatâya Bhâradvâja-⁵gôtrâya Bhâradvâj-Âingirasa-Vâ(bâ)rhaspaty-êti tri-pravarâya Kauthumasâkh-âdhyâyi-
- 31 nô trì Dàlana-pautrâya trì Âsâdhara-putrâya trì Visvêsvarasarmmaşa vra(brâ)hmanâya vamṭakam=êkam 1 Takâristhâna-vinirggatâya Bhâradyâ-
- 32 ja-gôtrâya Bhâradvâj-Âingirasa-Vâ(bâ)rhasya(spa)ty-êti tri-pravarâya Mâdhyamdina 6âkh-âdhyâyinê dî° Kêlhana-pautrâya dî° Madhu-putrâya dî° Râ-
- 33 masa(śa)rmmanô vrâ(brâ)hmanâ[y]a vamṭakam=êkam 1 Tripuristhâna vinirggatâya Bhâradvâja-gôtrâya Bhâradvâj-Âmgirasa-Vâ(bâ)rhaspaty-êti tripprava-
- 34 râya pain | 7 Haridhara-pautrâya pain | Mahîdhara-putrâya pain ° Bhrigaśarımmaṇôs vra(brā)hmaṇâya sârddhain vainṭakam=êkain 1½ Mutavathūsthāna-! vinirggatâya
- 35 Kháyapa-gótráya Kháyapa(p-Â)vatsúra-Naidhruv-éti tri-pravaráya Âávaláyanaáákhádhyáyinó cha^{c10} Prithvídhara-pautráya cha^c Âsú(áá)dhara-pu-
- 36 trâya agni⁰¹ Nârâyaṇaśarmmaṇê vrâ(brâ)hmaṇâya vamṭakam=êkam l Akôlasthana-vinirggatâya Parâvasu(su)-gôtrâya Parâvasu(su)-Kâmkâya-
- 37 na-Kaikasêya¹² tri-pravarâya tha l¹³ Bharatapâla-pautrâya tha l Dâllapa-putrâya râja-Gośa(sa)laśarmmapê¹⁴ vrâ(brâ)hmapâya vainṭakam=êkam l **Mathurāsth**â-
- 38 na-vinii ggatâya Âśvalâyanaśākh-âdhyâyinô Vaśi(si)shṭha-gôtrâya Kâśyap-Âvatsâr-Väśi(si)shṭh-ĉti tri-pravarâya chaturvvêda-Janârddana-pautrâ-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 39 ya chaturvvêda-Dharanîdhara-putrîya mahârâjapamdita-śrî-Gôsêśarmmaşi vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vamtaka-dvayam 2 Mathurâsthâna-vinirggatâya Â-
- 41 Vishnu-putrâya cha° Râmêsva(śva)rasa(śa)rmmaṇê vrâ(brâ)hmaṇâya vamṭakaw êkam l Mathurûsthûna-vinirggatâya Âśvalâ[ya*]nasâkh-âdhyûyinê Kâsyap gôtrâ-
- 42 ya Kâsyap-Âvatsâra-Naidhruv-êti tri-pravarâya cha° Samuddhara-pautrâya cha' Dêvadhara-putrâya cha° Gadâdharasa(śa)rmmaṇê vrâ(brâ)hmaṇâya vaṃṭakaz6kain 1 Ma-
- 43 thurásthána-vinirggatáya Áśvaláyanasákh-ádhyáyinô Bhárggava-gôtráya Bhárggav Vaitahavya-Sávétas-éti tri-pravaráya cha° Pavitra-pautrá-
- 44 ya cha° Dharapidhara-putrâya cha° Garbhêsya(śva)raśarmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanêşê vanitakam=êkam l Mathurâsthêna-vinir:gatâya Âśvalâyanaśâkh-âdhyâyi-

¹ Katydyana-gotraya was originally omitted, and is engraved above the line. Here, again, the pravarat of omitted.

² Here and below for itis, i.e. triveda. For Yasodhara. For Sarasarmmans.

In the place of the akshara ra originally dva was engraved.

6 Read Vilvelivara.

This, or pam", here and below, a pandita. 8 The idkhd of this man is omitted.

Below, in lines 47 and 49, the name is Matdooth40.

¹⁰ I.e., here and below, chaturoda. 11 I.e., here and below, againstri-.

¹² Read Kaikus-éti.
13 I.s., hervishd below, thakkura-.
14 The idkhd of this man is omitted.
15 Read -Appardna-; see below, lines 52 and 66.

Here an open space is left for a name of four syllables which has been omitted.

देवेंगेगा विकास मिलेच स्थामासी हत्वे वस्त्रामा दिले में भारती वस में बीधादा व है मीति त ર્ચીતામાર્ગાર્વિત:યુત્તિતો ન સાંવાળેલ મેનિયાના કારણ માત્રામાં ઉત્તર મુખ્યત્વે છે. તેને સાંતાના સામાના કારણ કાર បង្កច្រម្នៃរមក្នុងទៅលើប្រាស្ត្រាពីក្នុក្យបញ្ជា अतिताराज्याच्याच्याने लेकिताने सहस्ति हा वितासाय अधिती •• 4 ારતે ક્રોતિસ્ટિનુપતા સ્ટેરિપોહિલકાલયસા પુર, પ્રદેશો@િત મોલિતાનાતી લ ्रित ज़ितादिक की प्रती अस्ति। सावीयजीयजीयजीते जी अवंशान ताक लबक सादिव सोधान कि माहत्वामार्टि विद्यासार्टिक विद्यासार हित्या है। विद्यासार हित्या है के प्रतिकार के कार्य के क्रिया है कि विद्य ૼ૽૽૽૽ૢૹ૽૽૱૱ૡૹૻૻ૱ૹૻ૽૱**ઌ૾૽ૡૡૹઌૹ૽૽૱ઌ**૽ઌૡૡ૱૽૽ૺ૱ૡ૾ૹ૽૽ૹ૽ૹઌ૽૽ૺઌૡ૽ૺ૱ૹૹઌઌ૽૽ ්සම්ක්තිකුට මාස්ස්ත්රීම් විදුන්ව විදුන්ව විදුන්ව විදුන්ව විදුන්ව විදුන්ව සහ විදුන්ව සහ විදුන්ව සහ විදුන්ව විදුන විදුන්ව සහ 10 अधारमण्डनः उन्त सभी रहास्त्रियमाष्ट्राधः यस्तर वाष्ट्रीतिस्त्राच्योतिस्त्राच्योतस्तरारम् सङ्ग्रहस्ति सँ वः प्रतापस्त तिः भागासिक्षः भागास्यापिकाद्रे मुद्दीयात्रिने णार्वे तत्तर्यस्य स्वति स्वति स्वति । स्वति स्वति स्वति स्वति स इंडाफिक का क्षेत्री है हो है कि सम्बद्धा है के अपने के स्वार्ध है के अपने के स्वार्ध है के अपने के स त्रमाधारीतात्रावराजारीयात्राक्षात्राक्षात्राक्षात्राक्षात्राक्षात्राच्यात्राच्यात्राच्यात्राच्यात्राच्यात्राच्य ंहित्त्र अस्म मानापण्या माजिना सप्योत्र प्रयोत्तर योगन्ता स्वरंगाना गीत्र येगाने ति वेगा ार्वे त्याने द्यात्र विर्वे हस्य वर इंशवर्म सम्बद्धाः विराम विरोधित वर्षाः वर्षाः वर्षाः वर्षाः वर्षाः वर्षाः नितंशस्त्र विद्यारियाचे विद्यारा विद्यारा है । विद्यारा स्वयं गानिसम्बर्गानः अस्वाद्यां स्थानानितन्त्रम् । 18 :माहर्मितिस्यातिस्यातिस्यातिः द्याना विकास स्वाटन तम् तम्

यान्यतम्बन्धतातित्वनग्रीतस्यमास्यत्वन्यतित्वात्व तमा अन्य गितासारी महाराष्ट्र IDIEIGENE KEELINNAKAIGIBKEKA ABASENIII GEMEEL 26 कि अस्ति । तसार्वार वर्षां तस्ववि**भ्राम्य सम्बद्धाः स्वति । तस्य सम्बद्धाः सम्बद्धाः सम्बद्धाः सम्बद्धाः सम्** ्रोटितरास्य भू(एर्ट्रेट) । इस्सिम् मिस्सि विसेष्ट विसेष्ट्र स्थानिक विस्ति है । वार्वतसान्वितस्यत्यस्य सिव्यास्य त्रियाः चार्वस्य सिव्यास्य स्वयस्य सिव्यास्य स्वयस्य सिव्यास्य सिव्यास्य सिव्य निर्दित्य अर्थेण अञ्चल अस्ति है से देश है अर्थ । सन्ति व बाणिनुकाणयंत्रस्य तीर्वे १९१५ शसावविद्धिक्षंत्रस्य दार्गन्यस्य स्वीत्रस्य स्वात्रस्य स्वात्रस्य स्व sken at at a far and the second of the contraction ं विकास मार्थित विकास स्थापन नेय इिन्तू मारापरासीपप्रवाहाणियनेटक सर्वे एउ।क्रिस्किस्ट्रिकिसेनायवेगीव गुना झारापे (ବିରିସ୍ଥିଲ୍ୟ ମାଧ୍ର ଅପର ବ୍ୟକ୍ତ (ଅଧିକର ବିଷ୍ମ <mark>ଗ୍ରାପର ହେ । ଏହି ସ</mark>ଥିଲେ ଅଧିକର ଅଧିକର ଅଧିକର ଅଧିକର ଅଧିକର ଅଧିକର ଅଧିକର ଅଧିକର

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यन नहीं स्थापित प्रस्तात का अधिदन है जो हिन हो जा बाब जा या ने स्तर है से भग सात (। ज़रीना राष ्र लायस्य वार्यायत्तत्ताञ्चेततो जायमञ्चार जातवा ५ जातव्यविकासर श्रीतिवर्णन प्रायतः विभिधारतिक ग्रामित सभैभावाद्यामाय वैतर्क के वस्त्र वस्त्र वस्त्र मान्य सम्बन्धित स्वाप्त स्वाप्त स्वाप्त स्वाप धस्रधानोरम्यानेब्रतिविपरायनः मस्द्रधनै उर्यस्ति त्राप्रपायनः नस्ति वाह्यान्यस्त्र नुमान्नीहरू देनसभाषायुग्यत्वासान्नासित्वासीत्रां नामान्यस्य वित्यत्वस्य वित्यत्वस्य वित्यत्वस्य स्थानित्य स्थान यतन्त्रप्रशिवच्च नायतन्त्रतिस्वयस्योणात् अणायतै यत्त्रतिरूपम्च चास्रात्वितस्रीतारः आधात्त्रति ামহাজন ক্ষান্ত্ৰাল ক্ষান্ত্ৰাল ক্ষান্ত্ৰীনি বিষয়ে ক্ষান্ত্ৰাল ভাষাৰ ক্ষান্ত্ৰাল ক্ষান্ত্ৰাল ेत्रदेशका मेहे परिश्वत हो। तिविद्यीत कर्ण या या ताराष्ट्री आदिति वी सम्मान । या नी तर्भिति देश अव ायतन्त्रात्ताः सामित्रात्त्राच्याच्यायस्य प्रतासम्बद्धान्य सामित्रात्त्रात्त्रात्त्रात्त्रात्त्रात्त्रात्त्रा ાં કે તેમાં જિલ્લાની શાળા પાપાર્વને 'આપાસમાર્થને માને નિવા**ત પા**રતીય કરી નિવાનો નાંદર્શન સાંધારા પુત્રા હોય હોય 48 चेता **कर्ता** महेतुम् त्याम गरावसाय निवन्ने से समाने हिन्दु स्थासार प्राप्तिक स्थान स्थान स्थान स्थान स्थान स्थान Before the common and the contraction of the contra SERVICE SERVICE SERVICE SERVICE SERVICE OF THE REPORT OF THE REPORT OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PRO 52 वा जाएतर एक गर्भ रहता भी परिता सामारा स्वामा सामारा स्वामा सामारा सामारा सामारा सामारा सामारा सामारा सामारा ල්ලයටුගුනු දෙය දියුග්ලානුසියටු නියලුගුනු කුතු වෙල්දානු දීගුලුනුගුලුන් වස එ**ස්ලා**සුග්ලන් र प्राप्ति हो। एक्सेल स्थापित होते के बार के बार है अपने हैं जिसके हैं कि स्थापित हो है जो है जो है जो है जो स त्वात होता है। जा साम क्षेत्र के स्वार का स्वार का स्वार का स्वार का निर्माण है। जा साम का जाने के जा है। जा स Balanda in the property of the period of the property of the p १ वस्यान महित्यां मार्ग (सर्वे) है 58 जिल्लासम्बद्धाः विश्वस्थाति ।

सहग्रस्थर्वित्रश्चायमात्रिक्षान् द्राप्तः हेत्व राणकरेम्ब्रीति १६ खतुः सार्वः चित्रियोत् एतः ब्राह्मायेतिक्रीधार्यः १८ इत्यादः विदेशीराधिकः प्रथमा स्वासिकः प्रश्लकस्यार्थः सामाराज्येत्रः स्व जिल्लान स्टार्टिक स्टार्टि ित्तरं । १० १० मध्याद्वारा मध्याद्वारा है से किन्द्र ने स्वतं है कि से किन्द्र ने साम के स्वतं है । ારા પ્રાથિત માન તેના તાલ કર્યા નિવાર પ્રતિકૃતિ હતા. વારા કર્યા માના કર્યા કાર્યો હતા. માના કર્યા છે. તેના તાલ ક ત્રિતા માના કર્યા કરિયા કાતા કાતા સાથે ત્યા કાર્યો કાર્યિક ક્ષિતો કામ કાર્યો કાર્યો કર્યો હતા. તેના સાથે ક્ષેત 68 अवस्थान इत्यार वर्ष अञ्चलका इतिहाँ प्राच्य देशिया ग्रीहिक **में है** जाद्व दिया अपनिवास का स्वारा है जिस है कि स्व 70 ब्दरभहीत्रीकृतिविष्टिम् ताति सञ्चलावासते । जन्मा तास्य व कृति सालस्वायास्यात्तीवस् 72 थल त्रमञ्जूष्या वाता स्वाय कापण्डलात्वा वाता अस्ति । वात्र भारत केर्त संचालातुम् स्व न स्व हो तास्य गाँउ त्यार संब तास्य मान्य । जो एयए सम्भावना भारतीय है। एउटी साथ समिति विकास स्थान स्थानिक स् में का गाम बेतर में नम जोगा जार अस्तिसात प्राप्त करतेता चाम में सेत्र से पेत्र से वित्र से वित्र से वित्र से स होत्त्वविक्षण्यतस्य मान्यस्य विकासितान्त्रस्य मान्यस्य विकासितान्त्रस्य विकासितान्त्रस्य स्थापिताः हिर्णुयक्, हुँ हाहै हिंद् के तेर के तेर भिन्न किया किया है है। इस के लिए अप के स्वतिहास का स्वतिहास का स्वतिहास 80 निद्याद्भित्तर्विति आति व गामिकतिना **यक्ष गामि**याना जिल्लाकतास्य स्नेतास्त्र प्रदेशको व स्टब्स्टीनिस्सानामा निस्सान

- 45 nê Kâsyapa-gôtrâya Kâsyap-Âvatsâra-Naidhruv-êti tri-pravarâya cha° Samuddhara-pautrâya cha° Dêvadhara-putrâya cha° Lôhaṭasarmmaṇê vrâ(brâ)hmaṇâ-
- 46 ya vamtakam-êkam 1 **Dimd**vânakasthâna-vinirggatâya lŚâmkshâyanasâkhâdhyâyinê Gautama-gôtrâya Gautam-Âmgirasa-Autatthy-êti² tri-prava-
- 47 râya cha° Dharaṇîdhara-pautrâya cha° Vra(bra)hma-putrâya cha° Purushôttamaśarmmaṇê vrâ(brâ)hmaṇâya vamṭakam=ôkâm 1 Mutâvathûsthâna-vinirggatâya

 • Mâdhyam-
- 48 dinaéákh-ádhyáyinê Káéyapa-götráya Káéyap-Ávatsára-Naidhruv-éti tri-pravaráya dvi° Gôvimda-pautráya dvi° Vásadhara-putráya dvi° Gadá-
- 49 dharasarmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vaintaka(k-â)rddham ½ Mutâvathûsthânavinirggatâya Mâdhyamdinasâkh-âdhyâyinê Kâsyapa-gôtrâya Kâsyap-Avatsâra-Naidhru-
- 50 v-êti tri-pravarâya dî° 'Gamgâdhara-pautrâya dî° Kêsava-putrâya Udassarmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vamṭaka(k-â)rddham ½ Mahavanastha[na*]vinirggatâya Kau-
- 51 thumasákh-ádhyáyinð Gautama-gôtráya Gautam-Áingirasa-Aufatthy-éti tripravaráya pain° Madana-pantráya pam° Káhna(nha)da-putráya pam² Kuladharasa(sa)rmmanê
- 52 vrå(brå)hmanåya vamtakam-ékam l Ţakârîsthâna-vinirggatâya⁵ Kauthumaéâkh-âdhyâyinê Vatsa-gôtrâya Bhârggava-Chyavana-Âpnuvân⁶ Aurvva-Jâmadagny-ê 53 ti pameha-pravarâya tri° Janârddana-pautrâya tri° Naraśim(sim)ha-putrâya Ava⁷
- 53 ti pameha-pravarâya tri° Janârddana-pautrâya tri° Naraśiin(siin)ha-putrâya Ava°7
 Abhinaindaśarmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmaṇâya vainṭakam=êkain l Madhyadêśavinirggatâ-
- 54 ya Mâdhyamdi[na*]fâkh-âdhyâyinô Mudgala-gôtrâya Âmgiraśa(sa)-Bhara . . . sa-8 Mudgal-âti tri-pravarâya agni° Chehhîtû-pautrâya agni° Dharanîdhara-putrâ-
- ya agni° Anantasarmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vaințakam=êkain l Madhyadêsavinirggatâya Mâdhyaindinasâkh-âdhyâyinê Śâindilya-gôtrâya Śâindilya-Asi(si)ta-
- 56 Dêval-êti tri-pravarâya yâjîiî Nâgadêva-pautrâya yâjîiî Krishna-putrâya agni Sthânêsva(śva)raśarımmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vaniţakam=êkani 1 Mathurasthâna-vini-
- 57 rggatâya Âśvalâyanaśâkh-âdhyâyinê Dhaumya-gôtrâya Kâśyap-Âvatsâra-[Nai*]dhruvêtilo tri-pravarâya cha° Vishņu-pautrâya cha° Sâdhâraṇa-putrâ-
- j8 ya cha° Üdha[ra]śarmmanô¹¹ vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vamṭakam=ôkam 1 Mathurâsthâna-vinirggatâya ¹²Rânâyiniśâkh-âdhyâyinô Bhâradvâja-gôtrâya Âmgi-
- 9 rasa-Vá(bå)rhaspatya-Bhâradváj-êti tri-pravaráya tri° Mådhava-pautráya¹³ tri° Sômêsva(śva)ra-putráya tri° Kuladharasarmmanê vrá(brâ)hmanáya vamtakam= ôkam 1

Third Plate.

Mathurasthana-vinirggataya Ranayinisakh-adhyayina Bharadvaja-gotraya Amgirasa-Va(ba)rhaspatya-Bharadvaj-ati tri-pravaraya trio Ri(ri)shi-pautraya trio

¹ Read Sankhydyana or, more correctly, Sankhdyana.

Autatthy -- Auchatthy -; see below, B., line 33. I.e., here and below, dvivida.

Originally Gdmgdo was engraved, but the first d has been struck out.

Originally osthdnam vio was engraved. Read Apparena.

¹ I.e., here and below, avaeathika.

⁸ In this name an open space is left for two syllables. The name which one would have expected is hdrmyafva.

I.s., here and below, ydfiika.

10 The akshara of is engraved above the line.

¹¹ Originally Udhapa° was engraved.

¹² Read, here and below, Randyantyaidkh.

¹² The akshara dha is engraved above the line.

- 61 Markanda-putraya tri° Madhusûdanasarmmanê vra(bra)hmanaya vamtakam=êkam 1 Sarasvatisthana-vinirggataya Kathasakh-adhyayina [Har]ita-Kutsa-
- gôtrâya Âmgiraśa(sa)-1 Amva(ba)rîsha-Yauvanâsv(śv)-êti tri-pravarâya 62 pautrâya chaº Ajayî-putrâya chaº Allisarmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vamtakam= 6kain 1
- Mådhyamdinasåkh-ådhyåyinå Kâsyapa-gôtrâya Kâsyap. 63 Madhyadêśa-vinirggatâya Âvatsâra-Naidhruv-êti tri-pravarâya upâ^{o2} Nârâyana-pautrâya agnic3
- Lâhadaśarmmanê6 64 Jasadêva-putrâya dî° vrå(brå)hmanåya vaintakam=êkain 1 Madhyadésa-vinirggatáya Madhyaindinasákh-adhyayinê Saindilya-gôtraya A-
- agnio Katuka-pautraya dio Puruśi(si)ta-Dêvala-Sâm(śâm)dily-êti tri-pravarâya 65shôttama-putrâya âva° Narasimhaśarmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vainṭakam-êkam 1
- Madhyamdinasakh-adhyayina 66 dhyadésa-vinirggatàya Markamdêya-gôtrûya Bharggava-Chyavana-Apnuvana Aurvva-Jâmadagny-êti pamcha-pravarâya Chehhitû-pau-
- upâ° Dâmôdara-putrâya ava° Markamdêyasarınmanê 67 tráva vrå(brå)hmanåva Madhyadésa-vinirggatâya Mâdhyaindinasâkh-âdhyâyinê vanitakam êkan Bharadvaja-go-
- 68 trâya Âingiraśa(sa)-7Vâ(bâ)rhaspatya-Bhâradvâj-êti tri-pravarâya dvi° Narayanapautrâya dvi°. Padmanâbha-putrâya pâţha°8 Vâyudêvasarmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya vaintaka-
- Ásvaláyanasákh-ádhyáyiné Kautsa-gôtráya m-ékam 1 Mathurasthana-vinirggataya Âmgirasa(sa)-Amva(ba)rîsha-Yauvanâsv(śv)-ôti tri-pravarâya chaº Hari-pau-
- 70 trâya cha' Janarddana-putrâya cha' Râjesarınmanê vrâ(brâ)hmayaya arddham 1 Hastinapura-vinirggatâya Kauthumaśâkh-âdhyâyinê Pârâsa(śa)ra-gôtrâ-
- 71 ya Parasa(sa)ra-Saktri-9Vasi(si)shth-êti tri-pravarâya paincha⁻¹⁰ Kahua(nha)dapaincha Kumara-putraya paindion pautrâya Kusumapâlaśarmmanê vrá(brá)hmanáya vamtakam=êkain 1
- gramaś-chatuhkamkata-12visu(śu)ddhah sa-vrikshamâlâkulah hiranyabhagabhagah s-ôparikarah sarvvadaya-samétah sa-nidhinikshêpah sha-
- 73 mhalátama | ka | -13 samanvitô mâtâpitrôr=âtmanas-cha punya jasô-14bhivriddhayê chaindrárkárpnavakshiti-samakálain yûvat=paraya(yâ) śásá(sa)nên=ôdakabhaktyå pûrvvam pradattah [|*] tan=ma-
- tannivasi(si)-pa[tta]kilajanapadair=yathadiyamana-bhagabbagakarahiranyadikam 74 två dêvavrâ(brâ)hmaṇabhukti-varjjam≃âjñå-vidhêyair≖bhûtvâ sarvvam-ébhyô vrå(brå)hmanêbhyô dâtavyain [[*]
- vudhvå16 ch=aitat=punya-phalain smadvam sajair-anyair-api bhôktribhir-asmatpradatta-dharmmådâyô16 syam=anumantayyah pålanivas=cha17 | Uktam cha | 18Va(ba)hubhir = vasu(su)dha
 - 1 Originally Amgirita- was engraved.
 - 2 I.e., nere and below, upddhydya-. * This sign of abbreviation is engraved at the commencement of the next line.
 - · For Yakodera ..

Originally Lohadao was engraved.

* Read - Apnavána -.

7 Originally Amgirisa- was engraved.

8 I.e. pathaka ..

- Kend Saktri-, and see above, p. 109, note 8.
- 10 Le., here and below, panchaka!pi-(!).
- 11 Le. paindita-. 12 Rend chatushkainkata-.
- 12 The akshara in brackets might possibly he read chha. As will be seen from the facsimile, the space between 1d and ta at the commencement of line 73 is larger than it generally is between two aksharas.

18 Rend buddhrd.

- 14 Read punyayald.
- 16 One would have expected dharmmadays; but dharmmadays is the reading of most of the Paramars copper-plates.
 - '7 Originally 'incham was engraved.
- 18 Metre of this verse and the next: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

- 76 bhukta rajabhih Sagar-adibhih | yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis-tasya tasya tadá phalam || Sva-dattâin para-dattàin vâ yð harêta vasumdharam 1 vishthâyâin krimir=bhûtvå pitribhih saha
- 77 majjati || ¹Sarvvân-êvam bhâvinô bhûmipâlân-bhûyô bhûyô yâchatê Râmabhadrah [[*] sâmânyô-yain dharmma-s-tur-nripânâm kâlê kâlê pâlanî-
- 78 yō bhavadbhih || lti² kamaladulâmvu(bu)vindu-lôlâm śriyam-anuchimtya manushya-jivitam cha | sakalam-idam-udâhritam cha vudhvâ³ na hi pu-
- 79 rushaih para-kîrttayê vilêpyê iti || Samvat 1282 varshê Bhadra-sudi 15 Gurau || Dû°4 êrîmu 3||6 Rachitam=ida[m*] mahâsândhi-
- 80 vigrahika-pandita-śrî-Vi(bi)lhana-sanmatêna |6 râja-gurunâ Madanêna | Sva-hastê= yam mahârâja-śrî-Dêvapâladêvasya || Manigalam mahâ-śrih [||*]

TRANSLATION OF VERSES 1-22.

- Om! Om! Obeisance to dharma,7 the crest-jewel of the aims of man!
- (Verse 1.) May (the Moon), the Lord of the twice-born, gladdener of the world, after having epenly accepted the earth in the guise of its reflection, bestow blessings on you!
- (V. 2.) May that Parasurâma be victorious, for whom, when he granted the earth (to the Brâhmans) the very orb of the twilight-sun, pierced by the Kshatriyas slain (by him) in fight, became the copper-plate!
- (V. 3.) May Râma minister to your welfare, he who in battle quenched the fire of separation from his life's mistress by the water of Mandédari's 10 tears!
- (V. 4.) May Yudhishthira be victorious, whose feet even Bhima placed on his head, (an.t) whom the Moon, the progenitor of his race, framed as it were equal unto himself!
- (V. 5.) There was a king, great like Kamsa's conqueror, 11 an ornament of the Paramara family, the glorious Bhôjadéva, who occupied the surface of the earth by the van of his army. 12
 - ¹ Metre: Sâlinî.

 Metre: Pushpitâgrâ.

 Read buddhrd
 - I.e. ditakah or dilah (as in the inscription B.).
 - * For the exact shape of this mark, which is not a sign of punctuation, see the accompanying photo-lithograph.
 - A This sign of punctuation is superfluous.
- 7 I find no English word by which I could fully express all the meanings of the Sanskit dharma; in the present case 'religious merit' would perhaps best convey some idea of what is intended. The four aims of man are dharma, artha, kāma and môksha.
- The spot (kalakka) in the moon is by poets taken to be the reflected image of the earth. Prof. Jacobi, who first drew my attention to this notion, quotes Raghuvamta XIV. 40, and especially Haravijaya XLI. 61; and I find that the idea is clearly expressed in verse 1982 of the Subbashidonali, according to which 'others have said' that the spot in the moon is 'the reflected image of the earth' (bhāmās=cha bimham pard); compare also ibid. v. 25%, sasalakshmanah parinada prithet kalakkāyatā. With pratibimba-nibhāt compare pratibimba-mishāt in the Pārijātamanjart, above, Vol. VIII. p. 110, line 50; and with jagad-āhlādayan, as applied to the moon, āhlādayan=vitaam in Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 208, line 1.— The Moon being a deija (or Brühman), one of his privileges is to receive gifts (pratigraha), just as it is his duty to make them (dāna).
- The verse has been called awkward, because it has not been understood. Since warriors slain in battle enter beaven through the sun, this luminary, covered with their blood, assumes the reddish hue of copper. In this state it appears in the twilight sky, and is thus represented to be the very copper-plate charter (tdmra) by which Parsaurama granted the earth to the Brahmays. For the idea of warriors who are slain in battle splitting the sun compare, e.g., Ep. Ind. vol. II. p. 192, v. 33; Subhāshitārali, v. 2274; and the pretty verse, given to illustrate the figure of sākshma, in Bkāsalt, Bombay ed., p. 325: Narēshu kānlēshu kritābhitāshāh svargānganāh prēkshya marīchimālt! Nrisimha bhāpāla tav=āharēshu kampākulam daršayati svalimbam #; afraid of being split, the sun trembles.
 - "Mandolari was Ravana's favourite wife. "Le. the god Krishua.
- 12 The word nastra (i.e. sand-mukha) occurs in the Parijatamanjart, above, Vol. VIII. p. 116, l. 78; also, e.g., in the Naishadhtyacharita, XII. 73 and XIII. 23.

- (V. 6.) When the lustre of the moonlight of his glory overflowed the lap of the regions, there closed the day-lotuses of the glory accumulated by hostile kings.
- (V. 7.) Then came Udayaditya, whose one desire was constant enterprise; who, of unequalled glory as a hero, made inglorious his adversaries.
- (V. 8.) As lofty mountains, abounding in ridges, at the end of a mundane period are upreceded by impetuous winds, so in fierce contest how many rulers of the earth, abounding in a mies, were not uprooted by his irresistible arrows!
- (V. 9) From him sprang king Naravarman, who cleft the vital parts of adversaries; the name of kings, wise in upholding religion.
- (V. 10.) At every dawn freely granting shares of villages to Bråhmans, he made religion, one-footed though it is (in this Kali age), possessed of several feet.
- (V. 11.) His son was Yaśôvarman, the chaplet of Kshatriyas; (and) from him sprang his son Ajayavarman, renowned for the glory of victory.
- (V. 12.) His son, of auspicious birth, the foremost of heroes, was Vindhyavarman, long of arm, cagor to extirpate the Gürjaras.
- (V. 13.) The sword of this (king) skilled in war, with Dhara rescued by it, assumed three edges,2 to protect as it were the three worlds.
- (V. 14.) Then the son of that illustrious one, king Subhaṭavarman, abiding by religion, ruled the surface of the earth, glorious like Indra.
- (V.~15.) The fire of prowess of that conqueror of the quarters, whose splendour was like the sun's, in the guise of a forest-fire even to-day blazes in the town³ of the blustering Gúrjara.
- (V. 16.) Now⁵ that he has attained unto godhead, his son king Arjuna supports with his arm the circle of the earth like a bracelet.
- (V. 17.) When in the battle which was his childhood's frolic Jayasimha took to flight, his fame spread in the quarters in the guise of the laughter of the quarters' guardians.
- (V. 18.) A treasure-house of the stores of poetry and song, he now has relieved the goddess (Sarasvatî) of the burden of her books and lyre.
- (V. 19.) This triple heros made his fame triply sprout. How otherwise did the three worlds acquire their whiteness?

¹ In the gelden age dharma had four feet, of which it lost one in each subsequent age (Parátarasmriti, ed. by Vâman Śūstri Islāmpurkar, Vol. 1. P. I. p. 82). The word for 'share' in the original being pada, i.e. 'foot,' the king by granting shares of villages increased the number of dharma's feet and so brought back as it were the golden age. Compare Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 218, l. 19: mahddanady-asilnyani kurvvan=parevany=anôkasah! dharmmasy=ditridhad=y6-mhrtn; see also ibid. Vol. XII. p. 159, l. 7.

² By itself the sword had two edges (dhārā); the town of Dhārā, retaken by it, became its third edge (dhārā). The author suggests that the sword became like the tridhārā, i.e. the 'three-streamed' Gangā, which flows through, and purifies, beaven, earth, and the lower regions.

³ The word pattana may also be taken as a proper name of the well-known Pattana (see e.g. above, Vol. VIII. p. 224, No. XII., and p. 229, No. XXXII.).

^{*} Garijad-Gürijara-occurs also above, p. 35. l. 27; compare also Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 217, l. 11: $m=aiva\dot{m}$ $G[\dot{u}]rijara$ garija.

⁵ This 'now' is really inappropriate in inscriptions of Arjunavarman's successors, but the verses 16-19 have been taken over unchanged from that king's own grants.

⁶ Le. a hero in fight, in compassion (like Jimitar shans), and in bounty (like Bali)—yuddha-utra, daydertra, and ddna-utra; compare Varantcharya in his crition of the Karyaprakaia, p. 113; Śringaratilaka, III. 14 (trividhb nāyakah); and similar works. In the Pārijātamaijart, above, Vol. VIII. p. 102, l. 7, and p. 103, l. 13, Arjunavarman is styled trividhactra-unidaman. The same epithet I find applied to a person named Udays, in three Mount Abh inscriptions of the Vikrama years 1245 and 1291 (Mr. Cousens' List, Nos. 1725, 1726 and 1840). With the whole verse one may compare Ekdwalt, p. 258: Narasimha-mahlpāla kirtis-tripathagā tava i na kasyā bhavitā slāghyā punānā bhuvanatrayam I.

- (V. 20.) Then, through the want of merit of suppliants and through the merit of the lovely-browed damsels of paradise, he who was both marvellously bountiful and amorous went to heaven.
- (V. 21.) Then Dévapâls, full of prowess— the son of Harischandra, the moon of the Pramaras— came to rule the Malava country.
- (V. 22.) Because of the pouring out of the water of donations by him who holds kusa grass in his lotus-hand, we know no difference between Dêvapāla and the guardian of the gods [whom the exploits of the enemy of the Dânavas caused to take the argha in his lotus-hand (to make a respectful offering)].

LIST OF THE	DONEES	IN	LINES	22-71.
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Sumber	Name of donce.	Description,	Gôtra.	Śākhā or Vēda,	Place of origin.	Shares.
1	Gungádhara²	510triya	Parûśa[ra]	Vájimádhyaáidina	Âśrama ³	1
2	Bhadrésvara	śukla.	Pavitra	Äśvalûyana	Mahayana	1
3	Chandrakantha		,,	,,	,,	1
4	Narayana	dîkshitu	Audalya	Madhyandina	,,	14
5	Śūra	trivêda	Katyayana	Samavêda		',
6	Višvėšvara	,,	Bhârndvâja	Kauthuma	Takari	
7	Râma	dikshita		Madhyamdina		
8	Bhrigu	pandita	,,	omitted.	This was	1
9	Nârâyaņa	aguihôtrin	Kasyapa	Asvalayana	Tripuri Mutāvathū	1 <u>1</u>
					Carried over .	10

¹ The king Dêvapâla and the guardian of the gods (dêcapâla, i.s. the god Indra) are alike because either of sem is danavari-rijrimbhilaih pavitrakarapadmah. About the exact meanings of the first of these two words sere can be no doubt; it means both 'the pouring forth of the water of donations' (dana-rari), and 'the exploits the enemy of the Danavas' (Danava-ari, i.e. the god Vishnu-Krishna). I am not so sure about the two meangs of the second word. Referred to the king, it means holding pavitra (i.e. kuta or darbha grass, which is ken up by the person who is about to make a donation) in his lotus hand.' Applied to Indra, I take it to mean at Indra, pleased with the exploits of the conqueror of the Danavas, took up the pavitra (i.e. the argha vessel) make a respectful offering to Vishnu. In support of this explanation I would quote Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 124, 2, where Brahman offers to Vishnu the argha-salila, when he sees how the latter has cheated Bali. But I am self not quite satisfied with this explanation, because I suspect the word padma to have been used in two differt senses in the compound .- From inscriptions we may compare with our verse especially the verse in Ind. Ant. d. XVIII. p. 218, il. 19 and 20 : Śriyam babhara vidhivad-danavaratitoshilah | Mahemdravad-dvijasreshtharggasstat-samgam-dgatah II, where danavdratitoshitah means both 'excessively pleased by the water of donams' and 'pleased by the enemy of the Danavas.' Danavari also has a third meaning, 'the rutting juice of phants' (mada-jala), and in that sense as well as in the sense of 'the enemy of the Danavas' the word is used the Naishadhiyacharita, XIII. vv. 8 and 23, the first of which, in so fur as it is applicable to Indra, seems to we suggested the frigam babhara . . . danavaratitoshitah Mahandra[h] of the verse quoted above from an eription. (Incidentally I may mention that Panchanallya is not 'the title of a work,' but a name of the 18th gd of the Naishadhtvacharita). In Skavalt, p. 200, the hand of a king is compared with the ocean, because h hold the danavari.

² All these names have the word farman attached to them.

With the exception of Madhyadefa and Aastindpura, these names have the word sthdna attached to them.

LIST OF THE DONEES IN LINES 22-71-contd.

umber	Name of donee.	Description.	Gôtra.	Sâkhâ or Vêda.	Place or origin.	Slure
					Brought forward	10
10	Gosala	rājan	Parâvasu	omitted.	Akôlā	1
11	Gônð	mahārājapaņdita	Vasishtha	Asvalayana	Mathura	,
12	Rámésvara	chaturv@da	Bhârgava	,,	,,	1
13	Gadádhara	**	Kasyapa	,,	,,	
14	Garbhésvara	**	Bhargava	,,	,	1
15	Lohata	,,	Kāśyapa	,	,,	1
16	Purushôttama	,,	Gautama	Śāńkhāyana	 Diodvānaka	
17	Gadådhara	dvivêda	Kâśyapa	Mâdhyariidina	Mutavathû	1
18	Udaî (Udayî)	omitted.	,,	, , ,		, t
19	Kuladhara	paņdita	Cautama	Kauthuma	Muhavana	
20	Abhinanda	Avasathika	Vatsa		Takari	1
21	Auanta	agnihôtrin	Mudgala	Mådhyamdina		1
22	Sthánéávara	,,	Sândilya		Madhyadêśa	1
23	Cdha[ra]	chaturvéda	Dhaumya	Âśvalāyana		1
24	Kuladhara	trivêda	Bharadyaja		Mathura	1
25	Madhusûdana	,,		Râṇâyinî	"	1
26	Alli	chaturvêda	Harita-Kutsa	,,	"	1
	Lâhada	dikshita		Kutha	Sarasvatî	1
25	Narasithha	Avasathika	Kasyapa	Mådhyamdina	Madhyadêéa	1
	Markandôya	-	Sândilya	1,2	21	1
	Vâyudêva		Markandêya	"	"	1
	·	pâtliaka	Bharadvája		,,	1
	Raje	chaturvêda	Kautsa	Ā śvalâyana	Mathur&	ŧ
32	Kusumapāla	paņdita	Párásara	Kauthuma	HastinApura	1
İ					TOTAL	82

NAMES OF THE FATHERS AND GRANDFATHERS OF THE DONEES.

Ajayî, chaturvêda, 1. 62. Âsadhara, trivêda, l. 31 ; chaturvêda, l. 35. Bharatapála, thakkura, l. 37. Brahman, érôtriya, l. 23; chaturvêda, l. 47. Chhîta, agnihôtrin, ll. 54, 66. Pâlana, trivêda, 1. 31.

Pållana, thakkura, l. 37.

Dâmôdara, śrotriya, 1. 23; upâdhyâya, 1.67.

Derdhara, chaturvêda, ll 42, 45. Dharanidhara, chaturveda, 11. 39, 44, 47; agnihôtrin, l. 54.

Gangâdhara, dîkshita, ll. 25, 50. Gôvinda, dvivêda, l. 48. Hari, chaturvêda, l. 69. Haridhara, pandita, 1. 34. Janardana, chaturvêda, Il. 38, 70; trivêda, Jasadêva, agnihôtrin, l. 64. Jasôdhara, trivêda. l. 29. Kânhada, pandita, l. 51; pañchakalpin(?), 1. 71. Katuka, agnihôtrin, l. 65. Kôlhana, dîkshita, l. 32. Kêśava dîkshita, 1. 50. Krishna, yajnika, l. 56. Kumara, paŭchakalpin(?), l. 71. Madana, pandita, l. 51. Mâdhava, trivêda, l. 59. Madhu, dikshita, 1, 32, Madhukautha, sukla, 1. 27.

Mahâditya, âvasathika, 1.25.

Mahîdhara, papdita, l. 34. Markanda, trivêda, 1. 61. Nagadéva, yajaika, 1. 56. Narasimha, trivôda, 1. 53. Nåråyana, upådhyåya, l. 63; dvivêda, l. 68. Padmanâbha, dvivêda, 1. 68. Padmasvâmin, dîkshita, l. 28. Pavitra, chaturvêda, 1. 43. Prithvîdhara, chaturvêda, 1. 35. Purushôttama, dîkshita, l. 65. Râmêśvara, trivêda, 1. 29. Rishi, trivéda, 1. 60. Sådhårana, chaturvêda, 1, 57, Samuddhara, chaturvêda, Il. 42, 45, Simhakantha, dikshita, 1, 26, Sômêśvara, trivéda, 1. 59. Trilóchana, dîkshita, 1. 28. Vásadhara, dvivéda, I. 48. Vijayî, chaturvêda, l. 62. Vishnu, chaturveda, Il. 41, 57.

B.—MANDHATA PLATES OF JAYAVARMAN II.; [VIKRAMA-]SAMVAT 1317.

These are two plates which were found by Mr. Lele, some time in 1904, at the village of Godarpura opposite the island of Mandhata, on the southern bank of the Narmada in the Nimar district of the Central Provinces. They were sent by the Deputy Commissioner of Nimar to the Provincial Museum at Nagpur, where they are now deposited. They measure about 1' 5\frac{3}{6}" broad by 10\frac{3}{4}" high, and are held together by two rings, now cut, for which there are two holes in either plate. I edit the inscription which they contain from impressions sent to me by the Government Epigraphist.

The first plate is inscribed on one side, and the second on b th sides. The writing both on the first plate and on the first side of the second plate covers a space about 1'4" broad by between 92" and 10" high, that on the second side of the second plate 1' 42" broad by 8" high. The three sides together contain 53 lines of well-engraved writing which throughout is in a perfect state of preservation. On the proper right of the second side of the second plate, between lines 42 and 50, a vertical line marks off a space 3" broad by 4" high, which contains an engraving of Garuda, with, below it. the words sca-hastô-yam mahârijasya ||, in smaller characters than those in the body of the inscription. The bird is represented in human form, kneeling towards the left, but with the head turned towards the right, and with four hands, the two inner ones of which are joined over the breast, while the two others are lifted up on either side, the one on the left holding a snake, the head of which looks like a bird's head. The size of the letters is about 3". The characters are Nagari, closely resembling those of the inscription A., and the language is Sanskrit. The inscription is so carefully written that in respect of orthography only few remarks are necessary. The sign for v denotes both b and v; the dental sibilant is used for the palatal only in sata-, 1. 25; as is often the case elsewhere, dy, dv and dhv are employed instead of ddy, ddv and ddhv; Janarddanais written Janarjjana- in line 34, and shadbhir= as shatbhir- in line 37. The sign of avagraha is employed seven times; and, excepting in sain pratain, 1. 16, m at the end of a verse or half-verse

¹ The plates were first mentioned by Mr. Lele in a Report of his on the progress of Archaelogical work in the Dhar State, dated the 24th August 1904.

is denoted by the sign for m, not by that of anusvara.— In lines 1-23 the inscription has 23 verses, chiefly containing genealogical matter, 21 of which are already known to us from the inscription A.; and in lines 25-27 we again find the verse commencing with Vatabhra-ribhramam-idam vasudh-adhipatyam, and in lines 42-48 five benedictive and imprecatory vorses, the last of which here too is the verse commencing with Iti kamaladalambuvindu-loldm. There are besides two verses in lines 50-52, which record the names of persons who had to do with the writing of the grant. In the prese part of the text, attention may be drawn to the peculiar construction in lines 25-28, asmābhrā... Gāngaddra-pāršvāt... grāmō=yam tribhyō brāhmanābhyō dāpitah, 'we have caused Gāngaddva to give this village to three Brāhmans.'

The inscription records an order by the Paramara Mahārājādhirājā Jayavarman [II.] of Mālava, dated, as will be shown below, in A.D. 1260 and 1261. Of the 23 verses with which it opens, verses 1-21 are identical (except for two various readings²) with the same verses of the inscription A., and contain therefore the same list of kings from Bhôjadēva to Dêvapāla. The two new verses, 22 and 23, may be rendered thus:—

"When 3 that king, the glorious Dêvapâla, had joyfully resorted to Indra's abode, his son, a death-dealing god to enemies (while) ever pleasing the people by his good qualities, the wise king Jaitugidêva, the glorious Mâlava chief, ruled this land, by his noble exploits a young Narâyaṇa."

"Now that he, after enjoying the delights of royalty, has gone to the habitation of the gods, his younger brother, king Jayavarman, rules the land."

Dévapâla, therefore, was succeeded by his son Jaitugidêva, and he by his younger brother Jayavarman [II].— Jaitugidêva was known already from the praéasti in Âśâdhara's Dharmingita, referred to above, according to which the commentary on that work was completed during the reign of the Pramâra Dêvapâla's son Jaitugidêva, on a date which corresponds to Monday, the 19th October A.D. 1243. In my Northern List, No. 223, I have assumed that Jaitugidêva is identical with a king who is mentioned in a Râhatgadh inscription of the 28th August A.D. 1256, noticed by me in Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 84, where I have given the king's name as Jaya[sinha]dêva. But with what we now know from the present inscription, I am not sure whether Sir A. Cunningham was not right in reading the same name as Jaya[ramma]dêva, and would therefore suspend my judgment on the matter till we possess preper impressions of an inscription at Udaypur in Gwâlier, which seems to be of the reign of a king Jayasinghadêva and to be dated in the [Vikrama] year 1311 (in Jan-

¹ Exactly the same construction occurs in my Report on the esarch for Sanskrit MSS., Bombay, 1881, p. 11:

léna . . . lékhaka-Sóhada-pársrál-likhápitá, 'he caused the writer Sóhada to write (a certain MS.).' With
the use of pársrát we may compare that of hastát in Prof. Peterson's Fifth Report, p. 29: Udayachamdraganisá
Jinabhadralékhaka-hastád-Vimalochamdragani-hastách=cha Óghaniryuktisátram lékhitam.

² In verse 17 this inscription has Jaitrasimhé instead of Jayarimhé, and in verse 21 peufástí instead of raraksha.— For the reading Jaitrasimhé see above, Vol. VIII. p. 203, where a certain person is called both Jayartasimha and Jaitrasimha. If any importance could be attached to the new reading, it would in my opinion show that the Jayasimha, who was defeated by Arjunavarman, undoubtedly was the Chaulukya Jayantasimha (Jayasimha) Abhinavasiddharája.

The text actually has: "Now that Dâvapâla has resorted to Indra's abode, his son Jaitugidêva rules that land." The verse undoubtedly was taken over unchanged from an inscription of Jaitugidêva bimself.

⁴ Bala-Narayana' most probably was an epithet of the king. Compare Kumara-Nardyana, as an epithet of the Paramara Sindhuraja, in the Navasakasakkookarita, 1. 59.

See above, p. 107.

⁶ See Archaol. Survey of India, Vol. X. p. 31. Indging from the A. Ununingham's rubbing of the inscription which I have again examined, the two aksharas between Jaya and della are almost completely broken away.

I am writing this with Sir A. Cuoningham's rubbing of the inscription by gree me.

uary 1255). For the present, what is cortain is, that Jaitugidêval was reigning in A.D. 1243 and his younger brother Jayavarman in A.D. 1260-61.

In liuos 23 ff. of our inscription Jayavarman informs all king's officers, Bråhmans and others, and the Pattakila and other people dwelling at the village of Vadaüda in the Mahuada pathaka, that, while staying at Mandapadurga, in the year 1317 (given in words), he caused the Pratihira² Gangadeva to give the village of Vadaüda to three Bråhmans.

And, according to lines 28 ff., the Pratihdra Gangadeva, on Sunday, the third tithi of the bright half of Agrahayana (Margasirsha) of the year 1317, while the nokshatra was Pūrvāshādhā and the yōya Sūla, at Amaresvara-kshētra on the southern bank of the Revā (Narmadā), after bathing at the confinence of the Revā and Kapilā and worshipping the holy Amaresvaradeva (Siva) with the five offerings, gave the village of Vadaüda, divided into six shares (vantaka) so that—

four shares (pada) were assigned to the agnihôtrin⁴ Màdhavašarman—a son of the pithako Harisarman and grandson of the drivêda Vêda— a Brâhman of the Bhargava gôtra⁵ and student of the Màdhyaindina śákhá, who had come from Navagamva;⁶

one share (pada) to the chaturvéda Janardana— a son of the drivéda Limadèva and grandon of the drivéda Lashû— a Brahman of the Gautama gôtra and student of the Âśvalâyana dhâ, who had come from Takari; and

one share (pada) to the drivéda Dhâmadêvasarman— a son of the dikshita Divâkara and randson of the dikshita Kêkû— a Brâhman of the Bhâradvâja gôtra and student of the Jadhyamdina śákhâ, who had come from Ghaṭâushari.

From line 37 to line 48 the text contains so well-known phrases that it may be passed over ere. The remaining part of the inscription yields the following information:—

On Thursday, the 11th of the bright half of Jyéshtha of the year 1317, this king's der (rija-sisana) was written 'here, at Mandapadurga,' by Harshadèva, a son of the learned avisa, with the approbation of the sindhirigrahika (or minister of peace and war), the pandita aladhara, an official of the Mahārājādhirāja, the glorious Jayavarmadēva; and the king's cument was corrected by the grammarian (sābdika) Āmadēva, a disciple of the learned osēka (Gôsê)? 'who knew the boundless essence of legal science.' The grant was engraved by e rāpakāra Kānhada. The dūta was the great minister (mahāpradhāna), Rājā Ajayadēva.

The words 'this is the own hand (i.e. the sign-manual) of the Maharaba' are engraved, as s been already stated, under the engraving of Garuda on the second side of the second plate.

The dates contained in this inscription are both correct. The first date, in lines 28 1 29, for the expired (Chaitridi or Kārttikādi) Vikrama year 1317 corresponds to Sunday, 37th November A.D. 1260. On this day the third tithi of the bright half ended 16 h. m.; the nakshatra was Pārvāshādhā, by the Brahma-siddhānta for 17 h. 4 m., according

In the first half of the 13th century A.D. we find the name Jaitugi twice in the family of the Yadavas of agin; and there was a [Śliāra] Konkanachakravartin Jaitugidéra, an unpublished inscription (belonging to stombay As. Soc.) of whom apparently is dated in A.D. 1207.

² Given in the abbreviated form pratt². The word pratthâra means 'a door-keeper', but denotes a high ial.

² Compare pañchôpachára-pájá, e.g. in Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 347, l. 10, and above, Vol. III. p. 215, l. 5, p. 80), l. 42. The five articles presented are gandha, pushpa, dhūpa, dtpa and nairēdya; compare Sūdra-alākara, p. 140 f., where paūchôpachára, dasôpachára and similar terms are explained.

¹ These epithets here too are given in the abbreviated forms agai, pao, dvio, chao, and dio.

⁵ In the original the pravaras also are given.

⁶ The names of the places of origin here also have the word sthdna attached to them.

⁷ See above, p. 106.

to Garga for 22 h. 20 m., and by the equal space system from 10 h. 30 m.; and the yôga was Sûla for 20 h. 46 m, after mean sunrise. And the second date, in lines 48 and 49, for the expired Kârttikâdî Vikrama year 1317 corresponds to Thursday, the 12th May A.D. 1261, when the 11th tithi of the bright half ended 10 h. 46 m after mean sunrise. The dates show that the year 1317 of the inscription was a Kârttikâdî year.

Of the localities mentioned in the inscription, Mandapadurga, from where the king's order was issued, is Mandegarh (Manda), a deserted town in the Dhar State, in Long. 75° and Lat. 22° 21' (Constable's Hand Atlas, Plate 27, B d). From the same place was issued the order in the Piplianagar plates of king Arjunavarman. On Mahuada, see above, p. 106 Vadauda perhaps is the village of 'Burnd' which according to the Indian Atlas is about three miles north-east of 'Satajana,' the village granted by the inscription A. I have already pointed out that Mahuada-pathaks of this inscription is equivalent to Mahuada-pratifigaranaks of the inscription A.; and I may state that a (or the?) village of Vadauda is mentioned also in the plate of the Paramaras Yasovarman and Lakshmivarman, in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 352, il. 5 and 13. Amaresvara-kshetra is the Amaresvara-tirtha from which the grant of Arjunavarman in Journ. Am. Or. Soc. Vol. VII. p. 27 was issued, and the Amarésvara mentioned in the plates of Jayasimha, above, Vol. III. p. 47; it is near the island of Mandhata, on the southern bank of the river Narmada. The grant in Journ. Am. Or. Soc. quoted just now also mentions the confluence of the Révà and Kapila, which is now called 'Kapila Sangam, where a small stream joins the Narbada.'2 Of the places of origin of the donees, Takari-sthana is one of the places mentioned in A.; Navagamva-sthana may be the town of Nawegaon in the Chands district, mentioned in the Gazetteer of the Central Provinces, p. 370, but there is at least one other place of the same name in the Central Provinces; Ghataushari-sthana I am unable to identify.

TEXT.3

First Plate.

1 || Oif namah purushartha-chùdàunanayê dharmmâya || *Prativimva-bnibhâd=bhùmèh kritva sakshât pratigraham | jagad â-

2 hlàdayan-diśyâ[d*] dvijemdró* mamgalàni vah || 1 [||*] Jîyât-Pa: kshatraih kshuṇṇain ran-âhataih |⁷ saindhyârkka-vimvam-⁸0-

3 v orvvî-dâtur-yasy aiti tamratam || 2 [||*] Yêna Mamdôdarîvashpa-vâribhib śamitò mridhô [|*] prânêśvarî-viyògâgnih sa

4 Râmah śrêyasê 5stu vah || 3 [||*] Bhîmên=âpi dhritâ mûrddhii yat-pâdâh sa Yudhishthirah | vainś-âdyên=êindunâ jîyât=sva-tulya i-

ya nirmmitah || 4 [||*] Paramárakul-ôttaínsah Kainsajin-mahimâ nripah | śrî-Bhôjadêva ity-ñsìu=nŝsîrakrânta-bhûtalah⁰

6 || 5 [||*] Yad-yaśaśchamdrik-ödyöté¹⁰ digutsamga-taramgitê | dvishannipa-yaśahpumjapumdarikair=numilitam || 6 [||*] Tatô sbhûd-U-

7 dayadityô nityótsáh-aikakautukî | ar idhárana-vírasírir-asíri-hétur-vvirôdhinám | 7 []|*] Mahákalaha-kalpâ-

¹ See Journ. As. Soc. Beng. Vol. V. p. 879 -- The town is called Mandapapara in line 16 of the Decamb inscription published ibid. Vol. Lill. P. I p. 70.

³ See Gazetteer of the Central Frontness, p. 258. ³ From an impression supplied by Dr. Sten Konow

Metre of verses 1-21. Sloka (Anashmith).
 Read pratitimbases
 After drό another vertical stroke vas εagraved, but has been struck out.

⁷ This sign of punctuation was originally omitted.

8 Read -bimbars.

In the place of ta originally la was engraved.
10 Read -6ddy6t6.— Between the aksharas ia and icham a vesical stroke was originally engraved, but has be struck out.

- 8 ntê yasy-ôddâmabhir-âsugaiḥ | kati n=ônmûlitâs=turigâ bhùbhritaḥ kaṭak-ôlvaṇâḥ |(||) 8 [||*] Tasmâch-chhinna-dvishanmarmmâ Narava-
- 9 rmmå narådhipah (dharmm-åbhyuddharané dhiman-abhût-simā mahibhujām || 9 [||*] Prati-prabhâtam viprêbhyò dattair-grāma-padaih svaya-
- 10 m | anêkapadatâm ninyê dharmmê yên=aika-pâd api || 10 [||*] Tasy=âjani Yasêvarmmâ putrah kshatriya-sêkharah | tasmâd=Ajayava-
- n rmm-abbûj=jayasîrî-visrutah sutah || 11 [||*] Tat-sûnur-vvîra-mûrddhanyê dhany-ôtpattir-ajâyata | Gûrjjarôchchhêda-nirvvaindbî¹ Vimdhyavarmmâ mah[â]-
- 12 bhujah || 12 [||*] Dhâray-ôddhritayâ sârdhain dadhâti sma tridhâratâm | sâmyugînasya yasy-âsis-trâtum lôka-trayîm-iva || 13 [||*] Tasy-â-
- 13 mushyayanah putrah Sutrama-srîr-ath=asishat | bhupah Subhatavarmm=(ti dharmmê tishthan-mahî-talam || 14 [||*] Yasya jvalati da(di)g-jô-
- 14 tuh pratápas-tapana-dyutéh | dávágni-chehhadmá(dma)n=ády-ápi | garjjad-Gúrjjara-pattané || 15 [||*] Déva-bhûyam gaté tasmin=namdané-rjuna-bhûpati[ḥ*]
- 15 | dôshna dhattê 5dhuna dhâtrî-²valayam valayam yatha || 16 [||*] Vâ(bâ)lalîl-âhavê yasya Jaitrasimhê³ palâyitê | dikpâlaha-
- 16 sa-vyájěna ya60 dikshu vijrimbhitam || 17 [||*] Kávyagáindharvva-sarvvasvanidhiná yéna sámpratam | bhár-ávataranam dévyás-chakré
- 17 pustaka-vîṇayôḥ4 || 18 [||4] Yêna trividha-vîrêṇa tridhâ pallavitam yaśaḥ | dhavalatvam dadhus-trîṇi jagamti katham-anyathâ ||
- 18 19 [||*] Ath=ârthinām=apuņyāna puņyāna svargga-subhruvām | sō 5dbhutatyāgašīla6=cha śṛiṇgārī cha divam gatah
- 19 || 20 [||*] Tataḥ Pramāra-chaindrasya Harischaindrasya naindanaḥ ||(|) praśāsti⁵ Mālava-kshōṇin Dévapālaḥ pratūpavā-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 20 n || 21 [||*] *Tasminn=Aimdra-padam mud-âśritavati śrî-Dévapâlê⁷ nṛipt tat-sûnur-dvishad-amtakô nija-guṇair-lôkâ-
- 22 ritaih svair=Vvâ(bbà)lanârâyaṇaḥ || 22 [||*] Bhuktvâ* râjya-sukhaṁ tasmin= prâptê tridasa-maṁdiram | sâsti tasy-ânujaḥ kshôṇîṁ Jaya-
- 23 varmmâ janâdhipah || 23 []|*] Sa êsha nara-nâyakah sarvv-âbhyudayî ||* Mahuada-pathakê Vadaüda-grâmê samasta-râjapurushân=vrâ(brâ)-
- 24 hman-ôttarân-pratinivâsi-paṭṭakila-janapad-âdîmé-cha vô(bô)dhayaty-astu vaḥ samviditam yathâ ||9 śrîman-Mamdapadurgga-sthitai-a-
- 25 småbbih saptadasådhika-trayôdasasa(sa)ta-samvatsarê ||9 samsårasy-åsåratåm drishtvå || tathå hi || 10Våtåbbra-vibhramam=idam vasu-
- 26 dh-âdhipatyam=âpâtamâtra-madhurô vishay-ôpabhôgah | prâṇâs=triṇâgrajalaviṁdu-samâ narâṇâṁ dharmmah sakhâ param=ahô



Read -nirbbamdht. Originally dhátri- was engraved.

In A. and in the three grants of Arjunavarman the name is Jayasimhs.

In the place of of originally of was engraved. Instead of this word A. has raraksha.

Metre : Sardûlavikridita.

⁷ The akshara pd of this word seems to be corrected out of 16 which was originally engraved.

Metre: Sióka (Anushtubh).

These signs of punctuation are superfluous.

¹⁰ Metre : Vasantatilakā.

- 27 paralôka-yánê [||*] iti sarvvam vimriéya dápan-ádrishtaphalam=amgîkritya ||
 pratî 2 érî-Gámgadêva-pârévât³ Vadaüda-grâmô=yam
- 28 tribhyô vrá(brá)hmanébhyô dâpitah | Tena cha pratî° śrî-Gâmgadêvêna sammat⁴ 1317 Âgrahana-báukla-tritiyâyâm tithau
- 29 Ravi-vâsarê Pûrvvâshâḍhâ-nakshatrê Śûla-nâmni yôgê śrîmad-Amarêśvarg-kshétrê Révâyâ dakshinê kûlê Rêvâ-Kapilâ-
- 30 samgamê snâtvâ bhagavamtam charâchara-gurum śrîmad-Amarêśvarf? dôvam pameh-ôpachâram samabhyarchya $\|\cdot\|^1$ jîvitam vidyuch-chamehalam jîlâtvâ
- 31 Navagāmvasthāna-vinirgatāya Bhārgava-sagôtrāya Bhārgava-Chyāvana-⁷Āpnavāna-Aurva-Jāmadagny-ēti pameha-pravarāya Mādhyam-
- 32 dinaéakh-adhyayiné dvi^{es} Veda-pautraya, pa^e pa^e Harisarmma-putraya agni^{en} Madhayasarmmané vra(bra)hmanaya padani chatvari
- 33 4 Takárìsthána-vinirgatáya Gautama-sagótráya Gautam-Ámgirasa-Auchatthy-éti tri-pravaráya Áśvaláyanasákh-ádhyá-
- 34 yinê dvi° Lêshû-pautrâya dvi° Lîmadêva-putrâya cha°¹² Janârjjanasarmmaşê¹³ vrâ(brâ)hmaşâya padam-êkam 1 Ghaţâusharisthâ-
- 35 na-vinirgatâya Bhâradvâja-sagôtrâya Âmgirasa-Vâ(bâ)rhaspatya-Bhâradvâj-ệti tri-pravarâya Mâdhyamdinasâkh-âdhyâyinê
- 36 dî° 14 Kêkû-pautrâya dî° Divâkara-putrâya dvi° Dhâmadêvasarmmaņē vrâ(brâ)hmaṇâya padam=êkam 1 êvam=êbhyuḥs=16tribhyô
- 37 vrâ(brâ)hmanôbhyah shatbhir=16vvaintakair-Vvadaüda-grâmô=yam samastô-pi chatuhkainkaṭa-17viśuddhah sa-vrikshamâlâkulah sa-hiranyabhâ-
- 38 gabhôgah s-ôparikarah sarvvâdâya-samêtah sa-nidhê(dhi)nikshêpô mâtâpitròrâtmanas-cha puṇyayasôsbhivriddhayê
- 39 chamdrarkkarınava[ksh]iti-samakalam yavat-paraya bhaktya dévavra(bra)hmana-bhukti-varjjam éasanên=ôdaka-pû-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 40 rvva[m] pradattaḥ || tan=matvā tannivāsi-paṭṭakilajanapadair=yathādīyamāna-bhāgabhōgakarahiraṇyādikam=ājñā-vidhē-
- 41 yair-bhûtvâ sarvvam-étèbhyah samupanêtavyam¹⁸ | sâmânyam ch-aitad-dharmma-phalam vu(bu)ddhv-âsmadvamśajair-anyair-api bhâvi-bhôktribhir-a-
- 42 smatpradâpita-dharmmâdâyô¹⁹ 5yam=anumantavyaḥ pâlanîyaś=cha|| Uktam cha|| ⁸⁰Va(ba)hubhir=vvasudhâ bhuktâ râjabhih Sagar-âdi-
- 43 bhib | yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis-tasya tasya tadâ phalam [||*] Sva-dattâm para-dattâm vâ vô harêta yasumdharâm

¹ These signs of punctuation are superfluous.

I.e., here and below, pratthdra.

^{*} Read -partrad=.

⁴ Originally sammaté seems to have been engraved. Read samvat.

Read Aurahavana.

^{*} The akshara rt of this word in the engraving is really rara.

⁷ Read Chyavana-; this correction may have been made at early in the original.— Here and in some place below the rules of sainthi have not been observed.

⁹ I.e., here and below. dvive/a-.

¹⁰ Le. withaka-.

¹² I.e. chaturreda.

¹⁴ Le., here and below, dikshita-.

¹⁸ Read shadbhirs.

¹⁸ Originally "netacyath was engraved.

⁹ Originally -shautrdya was engraved.

¹¹ I.e. agnihótri-.

¹ Read Jandrddana".

Read = 6bhyass.

Read okatushkamkusa-.

18 Ompare above, p. 112, note 16.

²⁰ Metre of this and the next two verses : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

- vishth**åvåm** sa krimir=bhûtvå pitribhih saha majjati | (||) Shashtim varshasahaarani svarge tishthati bhûmidah I
- AchchhêttA ch=ânumattâ(ntâ) tâny=êva narakê vasêt | (||) cha 1Sarvvan=6vam hhâvinô bhûmipâlân-bhûyô bhû-
- yachata Râmabhadrah | samanyo çyam dharmma-sêtur=nripânâm 46 kala kala pâlanîyô
- Iti^2 bhavadbhih || kamaladalâmvu(bu)vimdu-lôlâm śriyam=anuchimtya manushyajîvitam cha | saka-
- lam=idam=udåhritam cha vudhvå3 48 na hi purushaih para-kîrttavô vilôpy& iti || Samvat
- 1317 Jyeshtha-sudi 11 Gurav-ady-cha śrî-Mamdapadurge maharajadhirajaśrimaj-Jayavarmma-
- dêva-niyuktêna 50 sâmdhivirga(gra)hika-pamos śrî-Mâlâdhara-sammatôna ||5|⁶Pa[m]ditêmdra-Gavîśasya sûnunâ vidushâ spu(sphu)ţam |
- Harshadêv-âbhidhên-êdain lêkhitam7 raja-sasanam⁸ | (||) Yô9 vêtty-aparam smristišāstra-sārani Gôsêka-nâmnô vu(bu)dha-puingava-
- śishyah 52 sudhîh śâvdi(bdi)ka Âmadûvô bhûpasya lêkhyain samasôdhi têna | (||) Utkîrnuam = idam ru(rû)pakâra-Kânhadêna |
- Dûtê mahâpradhâna-râja-śrî-Ajayadêvah | (||)

10Sva-hastô-yain mahârâjasya ||

No. 14.-KANKER INSCRIPTION OF THE TIME OF BHANUDEVA; THE [SAKA] YEAR 1242.

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This inscription or prasasti, as it is called in line 19, is lying in the veranda of the school house at Kanker, the capital of the Feudatory State of that name in the Central Provinces, and was brought away from the ruins between the Dîwân and Sîtalâ tanks in that town. It was first rought to my notice by Mr. Baijnath, B.A., Superintendent of the Bastar State, who kindly arnished me with an inked estampage, and further estampages were supplied to me by the Diwan of the Kanker State and the Agency Inspector of Schools, Chhattisgarh Feudatories,

The stone is a cubit square and half a cubit thick, and the writing covers a space of 18" by 17" in 19 lines. The letters are bold and well formed, the average size being \frac{2}{3}". The haracters are Dêvanâgarî, and the language is Sanskrit. The whole of the inscription is written in verse, except the commencement (om siddhih) in line 1, and the concluding portion II. 18 and 19) containing the date and the names of the erector and the writer of the inscripion. There are altogether eight verses, of which six are in the Sardulavikridita metre, and 10 first and the last in Sragdhara and Anushtubh respectively. The principal orthographical eculiarities are the indifferent use of s for s and vice versa (II. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 15, 17, 19) and the 30 of b for v (ll. 2, 12, 14). Some of the letters with a superscribed repha have been doubled specially m and t), others not. The sign of avagraha has not been used at all. Final forms of occur in Il. 12 and 18.

Motre : Salini.

² Metre : Pushpitagra.

Read buddhed.

I.e. pandita.

⁵ This sign of punctuation is superfluous,

Metre: Sloka (Auushtubh).

⁷ Read likhitam.

⁸ Originally - ideanam was engraved.

⁹ Metre: Indravajra. 10 These words are engraved in small letters under the figure of Garuda which is on the proper right of the plate

tween lines 42 and 50.

The inscription is an eulogy of the Nayaka Vasudeva, the minister of king Bhanudeva of Kākaira. It states that he constructed two temples of Mahadeva, and another in honour of the local deity of the fields, besides a building with a gateway, and excavated two tanks. It is dated in the [Saka] year 1242 bearing the name Raudra, on the 5th tithi of the dark fortnight of Jyaishtha, corresponding to (Tuesday), the 27th May A.D. 1320. Unfortunately the week-day is not mentioned, and hence the date does not admit of verification. It is also possible that it may have been Wednesday, the 28th May, as there was a repetition of the Hindû date pañchamî in that fortnight and month. The record gives the genealogy of the minister for four generations, and that of his sovereign for seven generations. It is stated that Våsudêva's ancestors were elephant-catchers (?). Though in the Kanker State wild elephants are not now found, they are still to be met with in the division in which it is included.2 The most important part of the inscription is that which gives the genealogy of the Kakaira chiefs, mentioning in order the following:-Simharaj, Vyaghra, Vôpadêva, Krishna, Jaitaraja, Sômachandra and Bhanudeva. The dynasty is stated to be lunar, and the want of any epithet indicating paramount sovereignty postulates a subordination to another power. The epithets applied to them: -avanisa (1.1), nripa (11.2 and 5), dharanidhara (1.6), bhapila (1. 7) and nripati (11. 10 and 13), are all synonyms of the word 'king.' In two copper-plate grants of Pamparajadova found in the Kanker State 3 the king is styled Somavamidavayaprasúta-mahámandalika (feudatory chief of the lunar race), which supports the above statement. The present Raj family of Kanker is doubtless connected with these kings. It belongs to the lunar race and has always claimed to be a very ancient family.4 According to its own traditions it claims to have come from Orissa. Its original ancestor was ruling at Jagannâthapuri, but, on suddenly becoming a leper, in which state he could no longer occupy the throne, left the place and went out in search of a cure. At Sihawa, close to Kanker and now in the Dhamtarî tahsîl of the Raipur district, a spring was found, by bathing in which he got rid of the loathsome disease. The local people's persuaded him to stay on at Sihawa and installed him king, and he and his descendants continued to rule there. There can be little doubt that Sihawa was once the capital of this dynasty, as its ruins and temples testify. There is still an inscription there, which is dated in the Saka year 1114. The capital was finally removed to Kanker. This must have been done prior to Bhanudêva's times. For in line 12 we read: Kâkairi nripa-Bhûnudêva-nagarê (in Kûkaira, the town or capital of king Bhûnudêva), and in lines 3 to 5: This Jaitaraja was the grandfather of Bhanudeva. Thus Kakaira has been the capital of the State for over 600 years. Kanker once included the rich Dhamtari tahail of the Raiput

¹ This is really the correct name of the town and State, but it is now officially written as Kanker. In General Cunningham's Report for 1873-74 it is spelt as Kaker, showing that the nasal had not been till then inserted. The local people at present still call it Kaikar.

² The Contral Provinces, called Gondwana by the Musalmans, were so infested by these animals that ever revenue was levied in elephants. Even places like Jubslpur, which were and are far less jungly than Kankenhad their quota of wild elephants. See Jarrett's Ain-i-Akbari, Vol. II. p. 196, where the following occurs:—
"Garha (2 miles from Jabalpur) is a separate State abounding with forests in which are numerous wild elephants. The cultivators pay the revenue in molurs and elephants." About a dozen years ago 40 elephants were captured in Rairakhol, a State now transferred to Bengal, and I had once an occasion of riding one of them.

² These have not yet been published and a e at present in my possession.

[.] Central Provinces Gazetteer, 18,0, p. 236.

It is said that the installation of the Kanker chief is up to this day confirmed by the Halbas by anolating the Raja before the shrine of M ulidevi. The Halbas are an aboriginal tribe mostly living in that State and the adjoining tracts. These Halbas claim to have come from Orissa along with the leper king and are still the chief domestics of the Kanker chief. They speak stilled which is a curious mixture of Oriyi, Chhattisgarhi (a form of Eastern Hindi) and Marathi; see Dr. Crierson's Linguistic Survey of India, Vol. Vis. p. 331.

district, but is now limited to an area of 1,429 square miles lying between 20° 6' and 20° 34' N. and 80° 41' and 81° 40' E.

As regards the buildings and tanks mentioned in the inscription, there can be no doubt that the two tanks are identical with the present Dîwân and Sîtalâ talâos, between which the ruins of the temples may still be seen. It is very probable that the Sîtalâ talâo—a name which gained currency since a hut dedicated to the goddess Sîtalâ was constructed on its bank—is the Kaudika-bandha of the inscription, the unnamed tank being called Dîwân talâo or 'minister's tank,' thus keeping up the memory of its original constructor, who by calling it a tadâga apparently distinguished it from the bandha, i.e. the tank formed by merely damming up a stream. The very name Kaudika-bandha indicates its secondary importance. In the first place it was merely a bandha (dam), and secondly it was probably constructed by the payment of kaudikas, a Sanskritised form of kaudis (cowries) or shells, a currency of the lowest value.

The temples and buildings have all fallen or been pulled down, and from the materials a fresh temple was constructed by the predecessor of the present chief. The old temples were seen by Mr. Fisher, who was Deputy Commissioner of the Raipur district (to which Kanker was formerly attached) about 1873 A.D., and he alludes to them in his private Journal thus:— "Saw some very curious old temples to the west of the village; one has a bijak giving, as I was told, some particulars of its history. They are very old and utterly neglected now." This bijak was seen on the gate of the Mahadêva temple about the year 1825 as recorded in the Asiatic Researches, Vol. XV. p. 505, where its date is also stated, which is the same as that of our inscription in all details. A noteworthy point in our inscription is the mention of the construction of a puratobhadra with a pratolli, about which latter Dr. Vogel has written an article in the Royal Asiatic Society's Journal, July 1906, p. 539. He has proved that pratili really meant a gate-way, evidently strongly built and of considerable height. It was sometimes provided with a flight of steps. I have not been able to find puratobhadra in the Kôśas to which I have access, but sarvatôbhadra is described as a kind of house with 4 doors facing the 4 quarters. From this I infer that a puratobhadra was a building with only one door in front. And the Kakaira puratobhadra was actually furnished with a gate-way (pratoli).

In this part of the country a good deal of transactions were done in cowries (shells, Sanskrit kapar-dika), which are still used as currency by the poor people. It must not however be supposed that there were no coins here. In the copper-plates of Pamparajadèva alluded to before, the coin fakka of local mint finds a mention. It is still a practice in some places to get work done, chiefly digging and throwing of earth, by what is called kasadhai, a mode of piecework payment, 2 or 4 cowries or more according to the labour involved being paid for each basket of earth thrown out. A man with cowries stands at a place where the earth is to be thrown, and as each labourer turns up and throws downsthe earth, he receives immediately the fixed number of cowries seek time. This mode of labour automatically punishes the idlers and saves a good deal of supervision and account-keeping where a large number of labourers are engaged simultaneously on such a work.

² Quoted in Cunningham's Archaelogical Reports, Vol. VII. p. 147.

¹ Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 43.

⁴ The idea seems to have been taken from a sarvatóbhadra village, which is described in the Manasára, a book of the highest authority on Hindú architecture, as "a town or village of quadrangular form, containing a the middle a temple dedicated to one of the triad, Brahmâ, Vishiju or Mahêsara. It has 4 streets of equal length on the 4 sides at right angles, and 2 more crossing each other in the middle. Between these may be formed 8, 4, 5, or as many more streets as the extent of the village will admit, on each side, parallel to the middlement street. Without the walls should be placed the shrines of the deities who preside over and defend he several quarters of the village; at the angular points should be erected halls, porticors, colleges and other public edifices, and towards the quarter of Agni (south-east) a watershed for the accommodation of travellers and passengers. The whole village should be secured by a quadrangular wall and a ditch around it, with large and as many small gates in the middle of the sides and at the angular points. Without the northern rate should be erected a temple for the worship of Mahâkâlî, and the huts of Chandálas or outcastes should be kefota distant from the village. A tank or reservoir should be constructed either on the south or north sider near either of these 2 points for ablutionary and culinary purposes."—See Ram Raz's Architecture of the Hindus, 1834, p. 43.

TEXT.

- 1 श्री सिवि: ॥ भागीइंग्री दिमांसीमीदितगुणगणिसंदराष्ट्रीरिसंद्वसाद्यानावः नोग्रीभव-
- दतुलयमा तेजसापास्त्रभूर्यः ॥ जन्ने सीपि स्ववीर्योचितऋपतिस्रकः ⁸बी पटेवं स चैवं क्राग्रा(-
- 3 ख्यं वैरिराजव्रजदलनपरं विक्रमाक्रांतिवस्तं ॥१॥ काकैरविनिपासमी सिमकृतः प्रोहा-
- 4 °सिडीरांकुरज्योतियोतितपादपंकजनसञ्चीतिस्त्रकामा' भवि ॥ संग्रामांगण्वीर
- मगुणः त्रीजैतराजोभवत्तसादद्वतसत्रतापमद्यः त्रीसीमचन्द्री तस्मात्त्री-"
- गुणमागरादभिनवसार्वागवेषोज्यसः श्रीभानुर्वरणीधरः चितितसे ¹⁰सस्प्रतिहोः दय[: ।*]
- जागेर्त्ति प्रतिपचपचदलनो भूपालचूडामणिर्यीधन्यायति शोक एव सुकती जागर्नि ग्रा-13
- हासन: ॥३॥ देश: 14पुर्व्यानरीतिशास्त्रतधनस्राक्षमीनिष्ठा हिजा: स्रोष्टापूर्त-परा: प्रजाहिक-16
- मपरं पौराः परं धार्मिकाः [।*] सभ्याः 'श्रास्त्रविचारधौतमनसी धर्माक तारे कली राज्यं ग्राम-
- 10 ति भानुदेवन्रुपती किं किं न लोकीत्तरं ॥४॥ वंग्री नागद्दलीपजीवनः जनस्फीतेभवद्रा-
- 11 त्रीदामोदरस्तुनज्जलयमा¹⁷ पो[जू]प्रजानायक: ॥ स्थातस्त्रतमा स्वभावसर-
- स्रो भीमाभिधस्तस्त्रतो कार्करे कृपभातुदेवनगरे ¹⁸त्रीबासुदेवीभवत ॥॥ स्तंभीयं [न]-
- $oldsymbol{13}$ गरस्य जातिजनतानध्यप्रभानायको 19 विख्गातिष्कत्त 20 भातुदेवसृपते: 21 पादीवजा 4 राधक: [1*]

Bead ेस्त्री: l Read चामी इंग्री इमाणी.

⁴ Read क्रणाव्यं.

⁷ Road Oselle:प्रकाशी.

¹⁰ Read Wato.

¹¹ Read सवासण:

¹⁶ The original has iditra'.

¹ Read "HET".

Bead omirefage.

⁸ Boad तजाकी°.

¹¹ R ad आगर्ति.

¹⁴ Read °शायत°. 17 Read ogsago.

²⁰ Bead विष्यात: किंच भानुईव⁰.

Read बीप.

[&]quot; Read "च्योतिदाँतित".

[•] Read off source:

¹⁹ Read Guerraft.

¹⁸ Read प्रका: कि.

¹⁶ Read श्रीवास".

²¹ Read पाडांबजा".

- 14 संप्रामांगचसादिवर्गपुरतः स्थातप्रभावो ¹मञ्चान्जागर्छद्गतविक्रमी धृतिधरः स्रीवा-²
- 15 सुदेवो भुवि ॥६॥ दैवत्रीग्रसिभूषणस्य क्वतिना देवालयं काश्तिं युग्नं मंडपथोश्रितं च
- 16 पुरतोभद्रं प्रतोख्या सञ्च । चेचेग्रस्य तथा सुरालयवरं स्फीतं [त*]-डागं तथा वंधं कौडिकसंज्ञकं
- 17 बहुजसं दीर्घ तथा खानितं ॥७॥ 'इष्टापूर्र्सपरस्याभीतात्कीत्तिभमि-चंद्रिका⁵ [।*] वासुदे-
- 18 वस्य विस्कारा स्थिताचन्द्रार्कतारकं ॥८॥ संवत् १२४२ रीद्रसंवत्सरे । च्येष्ट विद
- 19 पंचम्यां । "प्रसस्तिस्त्रमारोपिता नायकवासुदेवेन ॥ सिखिता "सिक्तिकुमा-रेग ॥ प्रिवं [॥ "]

TRANSLATION.

- Om. Success! (Verse 1.) In the race of the Moon there was (born) Simharaj, a (very) lien to enemies, (and) praised as possessing numerous virtues. From him was born king Vyaghra, of unequalled fame, who outshone the sun by his splendour. He also beget an ornament of kings befitting his own mauliness: Vôpadêva; and the latter, likewise, (had a son) named Kri[shna], who was given to destroying crowds of hostile kings, (and) who dominated the universe by (his) valour.
- (V. 2.) (Then) there was in Kakaira the illustrious Jaitaraja, the lustre of the nails of whose lotus-feet was rendered (still more) brilliant by the light emanating from the shining liamonds in the diadems on the heads of kings (prostrating themselves before him) to the ground, (and) who had the merit of conquering heroes on the battle-field. From him who owned the glory of wonderful great valour (was born) the illustrious king Sômachandra.
- (V. 3.) From him, the glorious ocean of virtues, (was born) a young king: the illustrious Bhanu, who was brilliant by (his) whole body and apparel, who acquired honour and prosperity, he destroyer of the party of opponents, a crest-jewel of kings. (He) is (now) protecting the earth. While he is ruling, the people are (all) virtuous (and) well-intentioned.
- (V. 4.) The country is replete with permanent wealth and virtue and is devoid of (all) alamities; the twice-born are devoted to good actions; the subjects are intent on performing acrifices and doing charitable acts. What more? The citizens are very virtuous (and) refined, and) their minds are purified by the study of the Śastras. What wonder does not (happen) in this) iron age, while king Bhanudeva, the incarnation of virtue, is ruling the kingdom?
- (V. 5.) In a family which abounded in men subsisting on (catching?) groups of elephants here was the Nâyaka Pô[1û], of brilliant fame, a leader of men, the son of the illustrious amôdara. His famous, straightforward son was called Bhima. His son was the illustrious asudeva, (who resided) in Kākaira, the town of king Bhanudeva.

¹ Read सङ्खान्0.

² Read शीबा^o.

Read "MIN".

[&]quot; Read WET".

⁶ °सासीस' and °श्रि?.

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⁷ Read FREE.

Bead ufa

- (V. 6.) This illustrious Vasudéva, the pillar of the city, the chief gem (shining) with priceless splendour amongst (his) caste fellows, famous, devoted to the lotus-feet of king Bhanudéva, known to be very valorous before the array of knights on the battle-field, great, of wonderful power (and) patience, is (now) administering the country.
- (V. 7.) (This) clever (minister) caused to be built two templos of the god whose ornament is the moon (viz. Mahâdêva), together with halls, a puratôbhadra with a gate-way, and an excellent temple (dedicated) to the guardian deity of the fields. Moreover (he) caused to be dig a large pond (taddya) and a long tank (bandha) called Kaudika, which contained a great quantity of water.
- (V. 8.) The moon-light of the true fame of Vâsudêva, devoted to sacrifices and charitable works, has expanded (and) become established so long as the moon, the sun and the stars endure.
- (Line 18.) Samvat 1242, in the Raudra year, on the 5th (tithi) of the dark (fortnight) of Jyaishtha, (this) pratasti was erected by the Nâyaka Vâsudêva. Written by Śaktikumâra. Hail!

POSTSCRIPT.

By Professor F. Kielhorn, C.I.E.; Göttingen.

Prof. Hultzsch has asked me to express an opinion on the date of the stone inscription published above, of which he has sent me an impression. He also, at the instance of Mr. His Lal, has requested me to give my readings of, and, if possible, to verify, the dates of two copper-plate inscriptions of the Kâkaira (Kanker) chief Pamparâjadêva, which are about to be published by Mr. Hira Lal, and of which impressions have been forwarded by him.

The date of the stone inscription clearly is, as given by Mr. Hira Lal: Samvat 1242 Raudra-eamvatsard | Jyéshta-vadi pamchamyam |. It does not admit of exact verification, and the only question concerning it is, to which era the year 1242 should be referred so that the date may fall in a Raudra-samvatsara. A priori the expression samvat 1242 would be taken here to denote the Vikrama year 1242; but there is no Vikrama year 1242 that could be called a Raudra year. Nearest to V. 1242, Raudra, by the southern system, would be the expired Chaitradi Vikrama year 1257; and by the northern mean-sign system it would indicate the time from the 13th November A.D. 1195 to the 8th November A.D. 1196, in the expired Chaitradi or Karttikidi Vikrama years 1252 and 1253. If the year of the date were 1252 instead of 1242, it might be taken to be the expired Karttikādi Vikrama year 1252, in which case the 5th of the dark half of Jyaishtha would undoubtedly fall in a Raudra year; but there is nothing to prove that the writer erroneously put 1242 instead of 1252.

Assuming, then, the figures for the year and the Jupiter's year to have been correctly given it would only remain to take the expression samuat 1242, as has been done by Mr. Hira Lal. to denote the expired Saka year 1242, which by the southern system was a Raudra year. But here we are at once met by a difficulty. In my paper on the dates of the Saka era in inscriptions I have shown that among 400 Saka dates of inscriptions only five do not contain the word Saka or Sāka, and that of even these five dates three are spurious or suspicious, while the two others are in verso. There is therefore every reason to assume that the writer of the inscription would have denoted the Saka year 1242 by some such expression as Sake 1242, not by samual 1242. And there might be the further objection that in the Central Provinces, where the date comes from, the system of Jupiter's years ordinarily followed seems to have been the northern system, not the southern system by which alone the Saka year 1242 can be described as a Raudra year.

As the date cannot be verified, it would be useless to indulge in further speculations.\(^1\) To me the wording of it seems certainly to be suspicious. And I can only say that, assuming the figures for the year to be correct and the date to be really a Saka date, it would correspond, for the purnimenta Jyaishtha, to Monday, the 28th April A.D. 1320, and for the amanta Jyaishtha, as stated by Mr. Hira Lal, to Tuesday, the 27th, or Wednesday, the 28th May.\(^2\) A.D. 1320.

Of the t	wo c	opper-	plat	e insc	cript	ions of	Pamp	araj	a, one	is clearly d	ated a	s follo	ws:-
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$\{1r, 8\}$	sam.	vatsarö	Kår	tika-n	afin ê (Chitra-	rikshê	Ravi-	-dinê	suryôparâgê			
[L. 10]	•	•	•			samv	at 966						

i.e. "in the İśvara year, at an eclipse of the sun on a Sunday, in the nakshatra Chitra n the month Karttika, in the year 966."

I have no doubt that the year 966 of this date must be referred to the Kalachuri ora.

In Festgruss an Roth, p. 53 ff., 1 have tried to prove from the 12 dates between the years 793 and 958, which hitherto have been available, that the Kalachuri (Chôdi) era commenced on the 5th September A.D. 248, that the years were Ascinadi years and the months purniminta months, and that therefore, to convert an expired Kalachuri year into an expired year of the Kaliyaga, we must add 3349 when the date falls in the bright half of Asvina or in any month from Karttika to Phâlguna, and 3350 in all other cases. Applying this here, we find that our date, for the parniminta Karttika of the expired Kalachuri year 966 = Kaliyaga expired 966 + 3349 = 4315, regularly corresponds to Sunday, the 5th October A.D. 1214, when the 15th tithi of the dark half ended 3 h. 33 m., and when the nakshatra was Chitrâ, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 2 h. 38 m., after mean suprise. On the same day there was a total ecripse of the sun, the greatest phase of which at Kanker (in about Long. 82° and Lat. 20) was four digits.

It will, I think, be generally admitted that Sunday, the 5th October A.D. 1214, undoubtedly is the proper equivalent of our date; but, in connection with this date, the writer apparently has wrongly quoted the year févara instead of the immediately following year Bahudhânya. By the northern mean-sign system févara lasted from the 2nd September A.D. 1212 to the 29th August A.D. 1213. By the northern luni-solar system therefore févara was the proper name of Kaliyuga 4314 expired, and not of the year of our date, viz. Kaliyuga 4315 expired, which according to the northern luni-solar system, as already intimated, would have received the name Bahudhânya. For the present, I can ascribe the error only to the writer's carelessness, but the error is of such a nature that it confirms rather than invalidates our general result.

The date of the other copper-plate of Pamparâja I read thus:—
[L. 9] . . . | sainvata | 965 Bhûdrapadê vadî 1[0]
[L. 10] Mriga-rikshê SN[ma]-dinê |

Here everything is perfectly clear and certain in the impression excepting the number of the tithi and the second akshara of the name of the weekday. As regards the latter, it appears to

¹ If the year were 1244 (instead of 1242), it might be taken to be a Kalachuri year, in which case the date would have fallen in a Raudra year. I do not mean to suggest hereby that the inscription could be assigned to so late a period (A.D. 1492-93).

² The 5th tith commenced 1 h. 4 m. before mean sunrise of the Tuesday and ended 0 h. 30 m. after mean sunrise of the Wednesday.

² Between A.D. 1201 and 1250 this is the only solar collipse in the month Karttika that could have been visible at Kanker.

Mr. Hira Lal quite lately has sent me for calculation a date from the Central Provinces, which undoubtedly corresponds to Wednesday, the 5th October A.D. 1065. According to the original date, this day should fall in the year Parabhava; but by the northern luni-solar system it would fall in the year Plavanga which follows immediately upon Parabhava, and by the southern system in the year Visvavasu which immediately precedes Parabhava.

me evident that the engraver after the akshara so in the first instance by mistake engraved the letter d (of dins), and that he then altered this d to ma. Under any circumstances there could be no doubt that the intended weekday is Soma-dina or 'Monday.' Nor can there be any real doubt about the number of the tithi. The date clearly gives us the dark half of the month Bhādrapada and during it the nakshatra Mriga (Mrigasîrsha). Now in the dark half the nakshatra will ordinarily be Mriga about the 8th tithi of the amanta and the 10th tithi of the parniminta Bhādrapada; and a careful examination of the impression shows that the word vadi is actually followed by 10, the 0 of which is engraved quite on the margin of the plate. I therefore take it that the date gives us for calculation "the year 965, the 10th tithi of the dark half of (the parnimanta) Bhādrapada, with the nakshatra Mriga and a Monday." And treating the year again as a Kalachuri year, I find the following equivalents:—

For the expired Kalachuri year 965 = Kaliyuga expired 965+3350=4315: Saturday, the 2nd August A.D. 1214, when the 10th tithi of the dark half of the purniminta Bhadrapals ended 18 h. 25 m., and the nakshatra was Mriga, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 21 h. 40 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 20 h. 21 m., after mean sunrise.

For the current Kalachuri year 965=Kaliyuga 4315 current: Monday, the 12th August A.D. 1213, when the 10th tithi of the dark half of the paraiminta Bhadrapada commenced 7 h., and when the nakshatra was Mriga, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 15 h. 46 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 14 h. 27 m., after mean sunrise.

Of the two, I do not hesitate to accept Monday, the 12th August A.D. 1213, as the true equivalent of our date. That the tithi of the date was a current tithi can cause no difficulty. And the fact that Kalachuri years, occasionally and exceptionally, are quoted as current years is proved by another date, in an inscription of which Mr. D. R. Bhandarkar some time ago has been good enough to send me a photograph. The inscription referred to is one at Scorinārāyan which the late Sir A. Cunningham had stated to be dated—

Kalachuri-samvatsaré | 898 | Asvina-sudi 2 Sôma-dinê.

According to the photograph the date really is-

Kalachuri-samvatsaré | 898 | Asvina-sudi 7¹ Sôma-dinê, and with this reading the date regularly corresponds, for the current Kalachuri year 898, to Monday, the 24th September A.D. 1145, when the 7th tithi of the bright half of Âśvina ended 20 h. 57 m. after mean sunrise.

No. 15.—NOTE ON THE TWO COPPER-PLATE INSCRIPTIONS OF THE TIME OF MAHENDRAPALA OF KANAUJ.

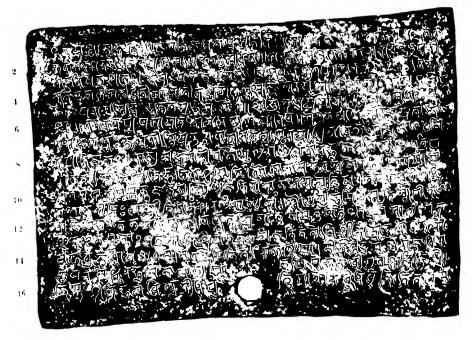
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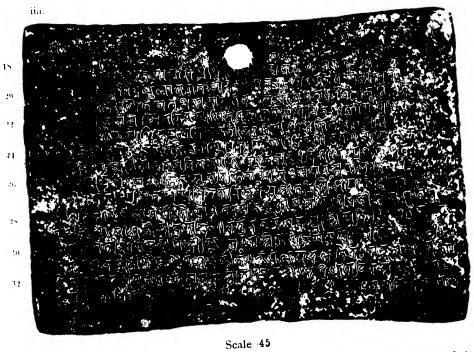
While I was reading the final proof of my paper on the two copper-plate inscriptions of the time of Mahandrapala of Kanauj, published above, p. 1 ff., I received from Prof. Hultzsch excellent ink-impressions of the two inscriptions which had been supplied to him by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya. The impressions enabled me to make one or two slight corrections in my texts, but it was impossible to insert in my article Mr. Venkayya's description of the original plates, and to get ready in time the collective facsimile of the second of the two inscriptions the plates of Avanivarman II. Yoga, which Prof. Hultzsch had at once ordered to be prepared and which is now published herewith.

On the plates A., those of Balavarman, Mr. Venkayya writes as follows:-

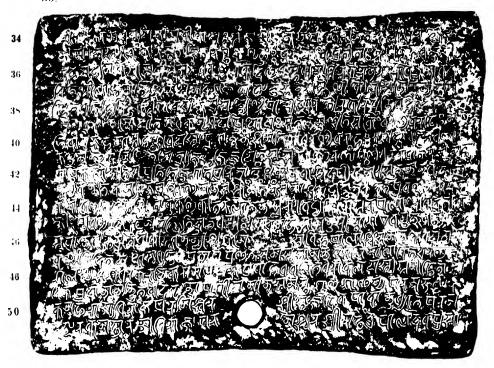
"The two plates are about 13" broad and about $9\frac{1}{12}$ high, somewhat less in the middle. The are strong on an almost circular ring, $2\frac{1}{12}$ " in diameter. The ends of the ring are secured below

¹ So the tithi was already given, correctly, in As. Res. Vol. XV. p. 305.





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द्वारा स्थानिक विश्व के स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थानिक स्थान

On the plates B., those of Avanivarman II. Yôga, Mr. Venkayya writes :-

"The three plates are between $12\frac{1}{8}$ " and $12\frac{1}{4}$ " broad and between $8\frac{3}{8}$ " and 9" high. They are strung on an oval ring which measures $2\frac{1}{4}$ " by $2\frac{1}{4}$ ". The ends of the ring are secured below a circular scal, which is slightly mutilated and measures nearly 2" in diameter. The scal bears in relief a squatting figure, similar to the one on the scal of the other plates. . . . Each plate contains a ring-hole which is about $\frac{3}{8}$ " in diameter."

On the excellent facsimile published herewith I have to say only a few words. It will show that the inscription in some places is not very easy to read. As regards individual signs, I would merely draw attention to the forms of the initial i and ℓ , e.g. in iha, 1. 33, and $\ell vam = 1.45$; to the sign for ry, e.g. in $\ell aury asya$, 1. 11; to the final t, e.g. in =bhat, 1. 32; and to the numeral figures, especially that for '9', in line 68.

In my text of the inscription the word śri- has by an oversight been omitted before $Ta[ru]n\hat{a}$ -, above, p. 10, 1. 57.

No. 16.—VANDRAM PLATES OF AMMARAJA II.

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These plates were found in the backyard of Buddharaju Venkataraju of Vandram, a village in the Bhîmavaram tâluka of the Kistna district, and were forwarded by the Hoad Assistant Collector of Narsapur through the Collector of Kistna to Rai Bahadur Venkayya, who sent me two sets of ink-impressions of them, with the following remarks:—

"These are five copper-plates, measuring $7\frac{2}{4}$ " in length and $3\frac{2}{6}$ " in height. They have high rims more than $\frac{1}{6}$ " thick. The ring on which the plates are strung was cut by me for the first time and soldered subsequently. It is oval, measures $3\frac{1}{6}$ " by $3\frac{1}{6}$ ", and is nearly $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick. The ends of the ring are secured in an expanded eight-petalled lotus at the bottom of a circular scal, which measures $2\frac{1}{6}$ " in diameter. The scal is much damaged, but bears, in relief on a countersank surface, the legend Sri-Tribhu[vanithkuśa], with a boar facing the proper left over it and a floral device below. The other symbols cut in the scal are not quite distinct. Traces of the sun over the boar, of the crescent of the moon behind his tail, and of an elephant goad in front of him are visible."

The first and last plates bear writing only on one side, and the three remaining plates on both sides. The plates are in a bad state of preservation. Of plate i. a small portion is missing. Plate ii.b is a palimpsest, and part of its writing is effaced. The two first lines of plate iii.b and some letters of the two last lines of plate iv.a are damaged by corrosion. Of plate iv.b the two first lines and part of the third are in a still worse condition. On the last plate (v.) some etters are more or less doubtful.

After the MS, of this article had gone to the press, I received from Mr. Venkayya the riginal copper-plates, with the help of which I was able to improve my readings of several adistinct words.

The alphabet is ancient Telugu of the usual type. I would only draw attention to the seculiar form of the secondary 4 in -martter=, 1. 18, and samahaya, 1. 36 f. The language is sanskrit; but the four first lines of the last plate contain some Telugu words. The Sanskrit portion consists of both press and verses.

The inscription opens with the genealogy of Ammaraja (II.) of the (Eastern) Chalukva (1.5) dynasty. Ll. 1-17 are practically identical with Il. 1-23 of the Elavarra grant of the same king.1 But Vikramaditya (1.) receives the title Yuvaraja (1. 13), and the name Kollabiganda is twice (ll. 14 and 17) spelt with b, not with bh.

Ammaraja II. is then praised in seven verses, all of which occur in his Padankalûru grant,2 where they are however differently arranged.3 The two verses (5 and 6) recording the date of his coronation are also found in the Maliyapundi grant.4 It is a curious fact that the major portion of plate ii.b (consisting of verses 3-5 and nearly the whole of verse 6) of the Vandram plates is engraved over another grant of Ammaraja II., which seems to have been partially effaced by the writer, but of which distinct traces are still visible.⁵ I subjoin a transcript of those lines of the original inscription on plate ii.b which can still be made out.

- समस्तभुवनात्रयत्रीविजयादित्यम-20
- परमब्रह्माखी मातापित्रपादानुध्या-ष्टाराजाधिराजपरमेयरः परमभट्टार्कः 21
- वेंगीसइस्रराष्ट्रकूटप्रसुखान् कुटंबिनस्समा इयित्यमाचा-
- स वंधी वशिष्ठगीची विद्वान चा-विदितम 23 पयति

The poetical description of Amma's reign is followed by a prose passage (II. 30-37) which is worded in nearly the same manner as II. 30-36 of the Elavarru grant.6 Ammaraja II., who is hero styled 'Samastabhuvanāsraya, the glorious Vijayaditya (VI.) Mahārājādhirāja-Paramescara Paramabhattaraka, the very pious one, who meditates at the feet of (his) mother and father, thus commands, having called (them) together, the ryots, headed by the Rashtrakutas, inhabiting the twelve villages (the chief one of which is) Prandoru in the Pavunavara district (vishaya).'

So far the text can be easily transcribed and understood. But the remainder of the inscription cannot be deciphered in full, as a number of words in the damaged portions are doubtful or quite illegible. Besides, the author of the long metrical passage describing the donce (II. 37-61) knew so little Sanskrit, or got his draft copied in such an imperfect way, that I am unable to propose satisfactory corrections even of some of the well-preserved portions of it The whole of this passage seems to be in verso. Making allowance for the damaged and lost lines I number the verses as 8-23. Verse 8 praises the family (gôtra) named Mitrayu. A descendant of it was Tarkkaya-Peddiya7 (v. 9), who lived in the large village Raviparra (v. 10), his son Vijayaditya (v. 11) and his grandson Türkkiya-Yajvan (v. 12). The last had by Kandamamba a son named Kuppanayya (v. 14), who seems to have enjoyed the titles of minister (amátya, v. 15) and vassal (samanta, v. 16). He had the surname Vipranara [vana] (v. 21) and founded a shrine of Siva at Draksharama.8

"To this Kuppan[a]matya, who is devoted to Me, the village named Tanderu has been given by Us, having made (it) an Agrahâra; to whom (the village) named [Beti]pûndi (in the neighbourhood) of Prandoruo in your district10 (vishaya), together with the share of gold,

³ Ibid. Vol. VII. p. 15 ff. 1 Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 91 ff.

The verses of the Padankaluru grant (Il. 23-37) correspond to the following verses of the Vandram plates: 1, 4, 3, 5, 6, 7, 2; and an additional verse is inserted between 1 and 4.

⁴ Above, p. 47 ff.

Both sides of plate v. also exhibit traces of obt.terated writing. A grant of Bhima I. is a similar palimpsest; see Prof. Kielhorn's remarks, above, vol. V. p. 127.

In the latter the epithet mataps/ripadanudhye'rh (1. 35) is however missing.

With Türkkaya compare the name: Türkasarman (above, Vol. V. p. 120, note 14) and Türkkama (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII, p. 214, text l. 49).

Draksharame krita-Śwa-nilay6; v. 22 (1. 58).

^{*}I.e. in the Pavunavara-vishaya of 1. 35. · Prandorti is the Telugu genitive of Prandoru (1. 85).

was given with exemption from all taxes, having made (it) an Agrahâra." I subjoin my reading of this passage, which is so peculiarly worded, that it remains doubtful whether the present grant refers to Tânderu or to Betipûudi or to both, and whether only the second or both of them belonged to the Pâvunavâra-vishaya.

- 61 \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot तस्त्री कुप्पन $[1^*]$ स[1]त्या[2]
- $_{0}^{-62}$ महत्तार्यं तार्ण्डे $oldsymbol{\omega}$ नामग्राममग्रहारिकत्यीस्नाभिदत्त 2 । य[स्य भव]दि-
- 63 षये प्रान्दो⇔्ति [बिटि]पूण्डिनाम सच्च[ा*]टकभागमग्रचा[री*]क्रत्य सर्व्य[कर]-
- 64 पर $^{
 m s}$ दत्त विदितमस्तु व[:] ॥ भस्य (स) ग्रामस्यावधय $[:^*]$ ॥

Of the subsequent description of the boundaries of the village granted (ll. 64-67) I am unable to furnish a satisfactory transcript. The remainder of the inscription (ll. 67-72) is nearly identical with ll. 57-60 of the Elavarru grant.⁴ The last line (72) seems to read:—

य(ा) ते किमः ॥ [२५*] भाज्ञितः व्यवस्थाजः [।*] महा[का]भट्टक[ा*]व्यं [।*] जोन्ताचार्थ्यंण जिखितं॥

Accordingly the $Aj\tilde{n}apti$ was the $Katakardja,^6$ the poet? Mahā[kâ?]bhaṭṭa, and the writer lontāchārya.

Of the localities mentioned in this inscription, Draksharama is well-known, and the Avunavara-vishaya is probably the same as Pagunavara-vishaya in a grant of Bhîma II. 10 the villages Prândogu, Beţipûndi, Tândegu and Râvipaggu I am unable to identify.

FIRST HALF OF THE TEXT.11

First Plate.

- 1 💠 खर्रित श्रीमतां सक्तलभुवनसंस्त्यमानमानव्यसगीताणां हा-
- 2 रीतिपुत्राणां कौशिकीवरप्रसादलश्चराज्यानां मात्रगणपरिपालीतानां12 स्ना-
- 3 मिमचारीनपादान्ध्यायीनां भगवन्नारायणप्रसादसमासादित-
- 4 वरवराच्चलाञ्कनेचणचणवश्रीकतारातिमण्डलानाम-
- ^{5 ¹⁴}श्वमेधावभृतस्नानपवित्रीक्ततवपुषां चालुक्यानां कुलम-
- ⁶ लंकरिण्णोः सत्य[ा*]त्रयवक्रभेन्द्र[स्य*] भाता कुलविणावर्डनोष्टाद-
- 7 म वर्ष[ा]िष वेंगिदेममपासयत् ॥ तत्पुत्री जयसिंहस्त्रयस्त्रिंमतं । त-
- ⁸ दनुजेन्द्ररा[जनन्दनो] विष्णुवर्द्वनो नव । तत्सूनुर्म्मीगयुवराजः पंचिवं-¹
- 9 मति । त[त्पुची जय]सिंइस्प्रयोदम । तदवरजः कोक्रिसिः वगमासान् ॥

- 2 Read °हारीक्वत्याचाभिर्दत्त:.
- " Read परिकारण.
- Instead of tath-oktam Vydeena, 1. 69 reads tatha ch-oktam Vydea-bha!![4*]rakena(na).
- Bead wzwo.
- 6 Sce above, p. 49 f.
- [†] I.e. the author of the verses describing the dones. In other grants of Ammaraja II. Pôtanabhatta and Madhavabhatta are mentioned as 'poets.'
 - ⁶ The same person was the writer of the Elavagru and Padankalüru grants
 - See e.g. above, Vol. IV. p. 37, note 3.
 - 10 Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 213.
 - 11 From two sets of ink-impressions and the original copper-plates.
- 18 Read Uniternial.

- Osam Farant
- 14 Read on wo.
- 16 The anusvdra stands at the beginning of the next line.

¹ Read सङ्ग्रहाय.

Second Plate: First Side.

- 10 तस्य ज्येष्ठी भाता विश्वावर्षनस्तमुत्रात्य सप्तत्रियतं । तत्तुनी दित्यभट्टार-
- कोष्टादम । तस्तुती विचावर्षन: घट्टिंगतं । तस्तुती विजयादित्यनरेन्द्र-11 सगराज-
- याष्टाचलारिंगतं । तस्तुतः कलिविण्यवर्षनीद्वप्रदेवर्षे । तस्तुती 12कविजया-
- दित्यसतुस्रतारिमतं । तदनुजय्वराजविक्रमादित्यभूपतेः सूनुसालु-
- ¹क्यभिममृपालिकं प्रतं । तत्पुत्रः की कविर्गण्डविजयादित्यः तस्तुर-
- माराजः सप्त वर्षाणि । तलुप्तविजयादित्यं वालसुचात्रा तालपी मासमेकं [|*]
- तं जिला चाल्काभीमतनयो विक्रमादित्य एकादग मासान् । ततस्ताः सतो यद-लपराजस्य
- वर्षाणि । तं जिला कीक्रविगण्डविजयादित्यसूती भीमराजी हाट्या वर्षाणि । तस्य म-
- 18 इं[य]रमूर्त्तरमासमानाकती: कुमाराभ: [।*] सीकमहादेव्या: खल् भवदमाराजा-

Second Plate ; Second Side.

- रूपेण मनोजं विभवेण महिन्द्रमिक्सकरसुक्सइसा 19 ख्य: ॥ ११ में यो [1*] इरमरिपुरद-
- 20 इनन न्यकुर्व्व(ा) स्नाति विदितदिगविनिर्क्तिः ॥ [२*] कविगायककत्यतरः हिजमनि-'
- दीनात्ववत्रजनस्(म)रभि: । याचकजनचिन्नामचिरवनिश्रम-
- निर्माशीयमध्सा ब्रमणि[:*] ॥ [१*] विदितधराधिपविद्यो वि-
- विधायधकोविदो [विसीनारिकुल]: । करितुरगागमकुश-
- . . सधुपः⁰ स्रीमान् ॥ [8*] गिरि**ए** 24 **४**रचर
- . . . [ग्री]र्षमासेश्विन [।*] 25 सवसुमंख्यान्धे सक[स] चयो-
- 26 दमदिने भृगुवारे सैननच[ने] ॥ [५*] धनुषि रवी घटलाने हारः
- [म]वर्षे तु [जन्ममः] पष्टं । योधादुदयगिरिन्द्री रवि रिव 27

¹ Read on भीम°.

² Read auffa.

Read affile. From here to the end (1. 27) this side of the plate is a palimpost.

Bead रवनीशमिष · Read onution. 6 Read **परचरकांभी अयुगलम**प्पः

⁷ Bead व्ह्यार्व्ह शक्समये मारगंशीर्च.

Bend Garler Cafes.



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Third Plate; First Side.

- 28 नुरागाय ॥ [६ *] यस्मिन् 1 सासित न्यती परिपकानेकसस्यसं 2
- 29 पच्छाति: । ³सततपयोधेनुरभिषिर्णरीतिरपर्वानिरस्तचोरी
- ्र30 देश: ॥ [७*] स सक्तसरिपुतृपतिमक्तुटतटघटितमणिगण-
 - 31 मधुकरनिकरपरिचुंबितचरणसरसिक्इयुग-
 - 32 सोयु[ग*]स्रोचनपदकमलविससद्दृरेफायमानी मा-
 - 33 नोवतोदतः समस्तलोकः समस्तभुवनात्रयत्रीविज-
- 34 यादित्यमदाराजाधिराजप[र*]मेश्वरः परमभद्दारकः परमञ्
- 35 म्हाच्यः मातापित्वपादानुष्यातः पातुनवारविषये प्रान्दोस्ध-
- 36 [दाद]यगामनिवासिनी राष्ट्रकूटप्रसुखान्तुटुंविनस्ममाञ्च-

Third Plate; Second Side.

37 येखमाच्चापयति ॥

No. 17.-THE INSCRIPTIONS ON THE MATHURA LION-CAPITAL

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The Mathura lion-capital was discovered by the late Dr. Bhagvanlal Indraji under circumstances detailed in his article on The Northern Kshatrapas edited and published by Professor E. J. Rapson in the Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society, N. S., Vol. XXVI. 1894, pp. 541-554; see in particular pp. 542-4. It was found embedded in the steps of an altar devoted to Sitalà on a site belonging to some low-caste Hindûs at Mathura, but not more definitely located. Having been with difficulty secured by Dr. Bhagvanlal, the capital was conveyed to Bombay; subsequently, on his death, it was despatched to England, and it can now be seen in the Buddhist Room at the British Museum.

The inscriptions incised on the capital were transcribed and translated by the discoverer himself; but owing to his death the task of publishing the MS. was entrusted by the Council of the Royal Asiatic Society to the late Professor Bühler, who was able to compare the readings with the stone itself and with paper impressions presented to him in 1889 by Dr. James Burgess. At the commencement of the published account, which appeared in the Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society, N. S., Vol. XXVI. 1894, pp. 525-540, Prof. Bühler observes that "the collation has made necessary some alterations in the transcript and in the translation, among which the more important ones have been pointed out in the notes. But I may confidently assert that all really essential points have been fully settled and explained by Dr. Bhagvanlal, whose great acumen and scholarship are as conspicuous in his interpretation of these inscriptions as in his other epigraphic publications. For convenience's sake I have prefixed an introduction, summarising the chief results deducible from the inscriptions."

¹ Read याचाक्यासति।

³ The anusvára stands at the beginning of the next line.

Read ° स्मीमिरीति°.

[•] Read ° मार्थी.

⁵ The Elavarru grant (1. 32 f.) supplies the correct reading सानीव्रती नतीश्वतसम्बद्धीय:.

While endorsing in the main these statements of so great an authority, from all points of view, as the late Prof. Bühler, I have endeavoured, in re-editing the inscriptions with Plates, which before were wanting, to give an unbiased reading based upon new impressions supplied by the kindness of the Department in the Museum (at the instance of Dr. J. F. Fleet, who originated the suggestion of this article), and upon frequent inspections of the stone itself. The present versions will therefore be found to differ in some particulars from those of Dr. Bhagvanlal and Prof. Bühler.

The shape and dimensions of the capital will be bost realized from the accompanying Plates; but some particulars demand a verbal description. In the first place, the circular hole in the upper square surface, corresponding to a similar hole in the under surface, proves that the capital was surmounted by a shaft or some other continuation. Prof. Bühler remarks that various representations on slabs from the Amaravati Stûpa prove this shaft to have supported a Pharmachakra, referring to the Archaeological Survey Plates published by Dr. Burgess (Plate xxxviii. figs. 1 and 6, and Plate xl. figs. 3 and 4). But it has already been pointed out by me in the Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society for 1906, pp. 216 and 464, that the use of lion-capitals of actual pillars was a common feature in Indian architecture, derived from Persian models. Examples may be seen in the Archaeological Survey publications relating to Bharhut (Cunningham, Plates vi., viii., x.), Sânchî (Maisey, Plates xix., xxxiii.), Mathurâ (V. A. Smith, Plates xliii.-xlvi. and xlix.-l.), Amarâvatî (Burgess, p. 93, Plates xlix., liii., liv., lv., and Burgess, 1882, Plate xiv.), and elsewhere. The presumption, therefore, is that the lion-capital formed the crown of a real pillar.

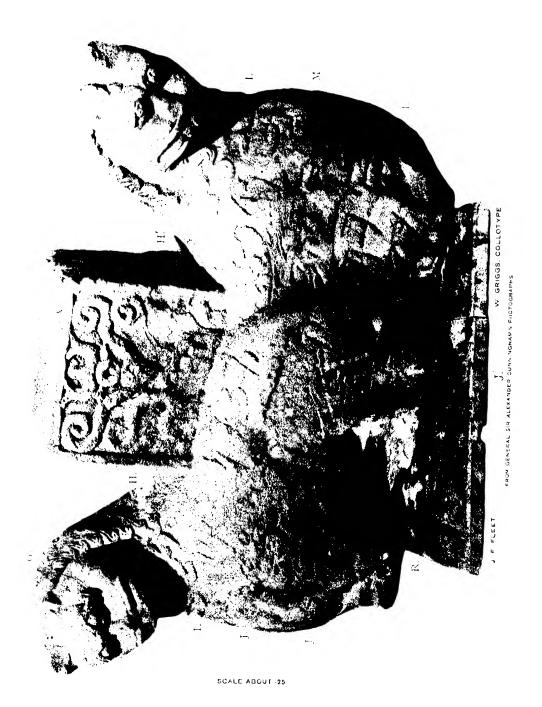
Secondly, the state of the stone has been somewhat impaired by time and accident. In some cases, e.g. in the loss of the horn-like projections of the two heads, this has involved no curtailment of the text. The chippings at the two bottom corners have been, no doubt, equally harmless. But the front, which would be the most exposed portion of the stone, has in part so peeled away as to render some characters illegible. In the second line of the large inscription carved on the body of the lion to the spectator's left (J.1.1) the large rva is followed by traces of two or three aksharas of equal size leading to a partly visible sa (?), after which intervene three doubtful characters before we come to firm ground again in pali.

In size the aksharas vary considerably. We may distinguish five groups: (1) the inscriptions B. E. F. I. J. M. on the front and back of the stone (among which I. perhaps exceeds the others slightly in size), having characters about $2 \cdot 2\frac{1}{2}$ in. in height; (2) G. N. P. E"., on the back and under surface of the stone, circa $2 \cdot 1\frac{1}{2}$ in.; (3) A. (on the unpolished top and back of the stone, K. L. (on the breast of the left lion), O. Q. R. (underneath), J'. (front, on the leg of the left lion), circa $1\frac{1}{2}$ in.; (4) C. D. E'. (which may be estimated from E'., slightly the largest, visible among the characters of E.), circa 1 in.; (5) H. H'., slightly incised in small characters, of about $\frac{\pi}{4}$ in., at the places indicated on the front. In the same inscription the aksharas generally maintain a fair average size, but sometimes they become a little cramped by limitations of space. It is clear that the inscriptions in the larger characters (1), (2) and (3) were carved first, and those of a smaller size were afterwards crammed in wherever space offered.

In type, on the other hand, the characters present an uniformity which, like the subject-matter of the records, forbids any supposition of additions during the subsequent history of the stone. They have been compared by Prof. Bühler to those of the Shâhbâzgarhî and Manschraversions of the Edicts of Aśoka But the degree of similarity and dissimilarity may now be more exactly estimated from Bühler's Indian Palæography, where the columns viii, and in

¹ In quoting Khardshiht records, length of vowels is noted except where the intention is to insist upon the exact reading supplied by the original in question.

Front of the capital



of Plate No. 1 are based chiefly upon these inscriptions. The type may be described as intermediate between the Aśòka forms and the cursive derivatives of the Dhammapada MS, and those discovered by Dr. Stein, to which approximate the vase scratchings from Mânikiâla and other places and the inscription of Sue-Vihâr (see the Plate given by Dr. Hoemle in the Indian Antiquary, Vol. X, facing p. 325). It does not, however, appear to be quite identical with that exhibited in any of these or in the Taxila plate (see the facsimile above, Vol. IV. facing p. 56), where on account of the historical contiguity we should expect to find, and do find, a near congener. The inscriptions edited by M. Senart in the Journal Asiatique, Sér. IX. Vol. XIII. (1899), p. 526 ff. and Vol. IV. (1894), p. 504 ff. (No. 35), are also in similar characters (see the Plates).

The forms of the individual letters may be seen from Plate IV. These of tha, sa, mn, spa, the position of medial e and the looped form of u have been described by Bühler. Attention may be called to the rda in Q. 1, the spa in A. 7, the rna (?) in I. 1, the carious form in J. 1 interpreted by Bühler as sht; the archaic ma with the original angle beneath in A. 2. A few points call for further consideration. The form of ta, which eccurs many times, has in other records the value of tra (see the Plate). Although we have certainly one case (J. 2, in kārita), and perhaps two others (E". in krakārita?, and R. 1 in Tachhilasa or Rachhilasa?), where the bottom curve is wanting, the character occurs so often that there can be no doubt as to what it denotes. In supposing it to be a da Bühler, who in his articles in the Z. D. M. G. Vol. XLIII. pp. 133 and 291-6 has read a similar character as tt (so also Johansson, Der Dialekt der Shāhbāzgarhi-Redaktion, I. p. 126), was influenced by finding it in pratēšō (M. 2) and similar cases. But the regular form of da is several times instanced, and the t for d in pratēšō and elsowhere is a dialectical, not an orthographical, feature, found in other Kharôshthì records.

The only question remaining, as concerns ta, is part of a larger matter. How do we find represented the conjunct τ ? In a number of cases the addition is made by a streke inclined to the left attached to the lower curve. This occurs in A. 1 (chhattra°), A. 6 (mitrâ), A. 7 (pitra°). In these examples there was some slight danger of confusion with $t\delta$, which shows (see the Plate) a similar stroke attached to the upper curve. Perhaps for this reason another device is more frequently adopted, namely a dot in place of the stroke; see B. 1 and 3 (chhatra°), B. 2 (pntra), M. 1 (chhatra°), Q. 2 (chhatra°). There remain A. 3 (where $t\epsilon$ is written), A. 5 (where I can detect no clear indication of the r-stroke or dot), G. 1 (where there is nothing attached to the ta, though the reading may be chhratava, if not chehhatava), G. 2 (chhatava), A. 9 (where we seem to have atrairina for ats°). In A. 1 we have two strokes, both of which seem to be intentional; one of them, which resembles the downward stroke of the Aramaic and Pahlavi t, I have conjectured to denote a doubled t before the τ . Of a corebral (ta) I can find no trace, unless indeed it is contained in the mysterious third sign of A. 13.

With other consonants than t the r is regularly inserted where required. We may quote throwin A. 7 (where it takes the form of a detached stroke), gra in A. 2 and N. 2, pra in A. 10 (pradhravipra°), A. 11 (prati°), M. 3 (prati°s), N. 3, dhra in A. 10 and M. 2, chhra (chchha?) in (i. 2 and I. 1 (chhratava° and chhratrava). In the last example, as also in pradhravi (A. 10, padhravi in I. 2), it would seem to be even repeated; but this may be a feature of pronunciation rather than of writing. A really otiose r-stroke is found in mahishri, A. 2, and probably in Pispasri, A. 7.

The case of kra is peculiar. If we disregard the doubtful inscription E"., it is found four times, in bhakravatô (A. 12), nôkravasa (F. 1 and N. 1), and sakrastánasa (P. 1), i.e. in places where we expect a simple ga. This can hardly be accidental; it would seem probable that in these cases the combination kra represents a spirantic pronunciation of ga, analogous to the Persian \(\xi\); more especially as in the name of Seistân (Pahlavî Saghastán) this sound no doubt prevailed at the time.

- A few further points remain to be noticed. (1) In atsuréna and hôrakdparivarena (A. 9 and 10) we find a perhaps intentional stroke diverging from the tail of the na, though not in both cases on the same side. Have we here na? The rather noticeable variations in the form of the nasal may be observed in Plate iv.
- (2) Sa varies between the forms with and without the small adjunct near the centre (see Plate iv). In N. 3 the addition of the r-stroke makes sum. In E. 4 a slight curve at the fost may also indicate sam, anticipating as in the Stein documents, the following nasal. A writing sya is certainly to be seen in G. 1 and probably also in B. 2.
- (3) The two occurrences of kharaôsta (A. 4 and E. 1) seem both to show a small diverging mark in the place where h is usually appended, a circumstance which, together with the probable derivation of the word, suggests a reading rha=hra.
 - (4) In A. 2 a has a small stroke added as a sort of head.
- (5) In A. 13 we have the distinguishing mark of é vertical and at the top; elsewhere it is horizontal and at the centre.
- (6) The sé of A. 11 has two small (head and foot) strokes differentiating it from the sé of the previous line,— apparently without reason.
- (7) The complicated jo of C. 2 recalls the varieties on the coins (see Gardner, The Coins of Bactria, pp. 55, 83).
- (8) Lastly we may mention that the stone presents a number of dots and other small marks which must apparently be ascribed to accident or wear. In some cases we might be tempted to trace the anuscara, e.g. in J., where we should thus arrive at a reading Survastivatameam.

The Prakrit in which the inscriptions are composed has been described by Bühler and perhaps need not be discussed at length. It is distinguished by closeness to Sanskrit. Elision of medial consonants occurs, if we neglect the suffixal k (nagaraa, kusulaa, mahashajhia), only in ateurens (for 'eurena?), saspa[t]ê. In ayaria and puya (=achârya and pûjā) we have a weakening of ch to y. I have suggested (Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society, 1906, p. 205) that the sound denoted by this y was that of the French j, and the matter will arise again in connection with the proper names. The changes apparent in the word chhatrava are not necessarily Indian. The hardoning of g and d to kr and t has been already dealt with; on the other hand p appears in tháta and pratithávitó as v, never b as p. Conjunct s is, except in foreign and technical names (kharaista, sakastāna, sarvāstivāda), assimilated ([t]thūva, kadhavāra, prati[t]thūvita, bhi[k|khu]; r, on the other hand, remains both as prior (sarva, khardaa), and as posterior, member of a conjunction. The forms of the a and \hat{a} declensions are very well preserved. The nominative sing. masc. appears both as a (in thura, etc.) and as o (kharaosto, etc.); the neuter is in a[m] (sarira[m]), the gonitive singular in [s]sa, twice written sya. In -munisa the i declersion shows the Prakrit form; of the i inflexion we have several forms (instrumental -id, etc.). The r-stems seem to be regular (dhite in A 3 being a miswriting for dhitra), while in yuvaraña[h] in A. 4 we have an ultra-Sauskrit use of the consonant paradigm. We may note the employment of sarvāstivāda in place of "vādin. The only pronouns occurring are imô, nominative masculing and ive, a locative, and the only finite verb bhusavi (certainly not bhusati, as Bühler read) presents a problem; see the note to A. 13. The false concord sarira pratithdvitô is found else where (see the note ad loc.),

We now come to the historical matter, which has been discussed both by Bühler, pp. 529-33, and by Professor Rapson (p. 541 ff. of the same volume). The object of the chief inscription (A.) is to record a religious donation on the part of the Chief Queen of the Satrap Rajula, with whom are associated various members of her family, and her whole court. In the other inscriptions we find honourable mention of (1) cortain other members of the Satrap family at Mathura, (2) other Satraps, and (3) a Buddhist teacher, or two Buddhist teachers, bearing the

names Buddhila (or Budhila) and Bu[d]dhadéva. The last named, who is termed an ochérya and represented as a champion of the Sarvastivadin school against the rival Mahasanghikas, bears a name which cannot have been rare; one teacher of this name is mentioned by Taranatha as a leader of the Vaibhashikas (see Schiefner's translation, pp. 4 and 67, and the references in the St. Petersburg Dictionary), and we have therefore no sufficient means of identification. It is different with some of the other names.

In the first place, the Great Satrap Rajūla himself and his son, the Satrap Sudasa, have with been identified with rulers named on coins and in other inscriptions from Mathura (see Bühler, pp. 531-2, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. pp. 195-6, 199; Cunningham, Archwological Survey Reports, Vol. III. p. 30, and Vol. XX. pp. 48-9; V. A. Smith, Mathura, p. 21; Rapson, Indian Coins, p. 9, § 33). These identifications were made by Cunningham, who also proposed to identify the Yuvaraja Kharaosta with the Kharamosta, son of Artas, known from coins, a suggestion which is scarcely tonable (Bühler, op. cit. p. 532). The further identification of the Great Satrap Kusalaa Padika with Patika, son of the Satrap Liaka Kusalaka, named in the Taxila plate, is important not only as supplying a date, though in an unknown era,— for the Taxila Plate is dated in the year 78, (in the time) of the Great King Môga,—but also as implying that the other Satraps mentioned may also have ruled in distant places. It appears therefore that the inscriptions make a point of naming with respect the chief representatives of the Kshatrapa dominion in Northeyn India; and this is a strong argument for retaining the ovident interpretation of inscription P. as 'in honour of the whole Saka realm' (Sakastana). It is herefore important to ascertain what other indications of nationality the inscriptions supply.

In an article published in the Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society for 1906 (pp. 181-216; see also pp. 460-4) I have endeavoured to prove (1) that Sakas inhabited the region now known as Scistan as early as the time of Darius the Great and Alexander; (2) that the inscriptions of the lion-capital exhibit a mixture of Persian and Saka nomenclature; and I have inferred that the Kshatrapas of Northern India were the representatives of a mixed Parthian and Saka domination. I think that all these propositions must be adhered to. Upon the first of them we need not dwell here. The second is strongly supported a priori by the fact that Pâtika of Taxila, who bears himself a distinctively Persian name, mentions as his overlord the Great King Moga, whose name is with equal distinctiveness Saka.

I may here refer to a small point in the Taxila inscription which is not without interest. The form of the phrase chhatrapasa Liakô Kusûlakô nâma tasa (for chhatrapasa Liakasa Kusûlakasa), which recurs in a second phrase, has been by Bühler compared with passages in two of the Jaina inscriptions from Mathurâ. We may perhaps find something of the kind in later Sauskrit inscriptions and in the style of the Paāchatantra and Hitôpadôsa. But the turn of the phrase is so conspicuous a feature of the edicts of the Achemenids that we are strongly tempted to regard it as, like the earliest Indian architecture, derived through the Satraps from a Persian model.

This is not the place for resuming at length the discussion of the etymology of all the names occurring in the inscriptions. A few points may be mentioned:—

1. The name Kharaôsta or Kharha(hra)ôsta, as =khshathra, 'sovereignty,' + ôsta, 'blessing,' is practically certain. The initial kha, which reappears in khaharâta with variant kshaharâta, presents no difficulty; it recurs in the kharapallina (no doubt =khshathrapihlâna, 'defence of sovereignty,') of the new Sârnâth inscription (above, Vol. VIII. p. 173 ff.). The variation in the initial consonant group, of which we find a third form in chhatrapa, is of the same nature as that in cavalier and chivalry, that is to say, it is due to historical and dialectical differences.

¹ On a coin given by Prof. Rapson, Indian Coins, Pl. iii. No. 1, we have Kahahardta in Brâhmî together sith Chhahardta in Kharôshthî; some of the Nâsik inscriptions have Khakhardta, etc.

The hra, from thra, arose (with other forms) on Iranian soil, Mihra (Skt. Mihira) being a variant of Mithra, for which a still more simplified form is found in Miraboyana of the Takht-i-Bahi inscription (see M. Boyer's article in the Journal Asiatique, Sér. X. Vol. III. (1904) pp. 463-4); the old Persian dialect had also s, concerning which it may be sufficient to refer to the grammars.

- 2. Mivaki is no doubt a variant of the Scythian name Manakes Mevanys, which we find attached to the king Manes and Môga (= Manaka).
- 3. The two names Kálûi, Kâmûiô show a Pahlavî suffix ûi, in the second case with addition of an Indian termination.
 - 4. Naüludo is no doubt for Naüradô, ' New Growth,' with a Pahlavî or Afghan l for r.
 - 5. The element Khala- appears in Khalama and Khalasamuso.
 - 6. The termination -ûs in Kômûsê and osamûso seems to be Scythic.
- 7. The element -si in Áyasi Kômûsá, Nandasikasa, Pispasi is certainly not the Sanskrit śri, which would have been so written in these inscriptions. It is a derivative element, perhaps identical with the -ci, -zi (Pahlavî -cîk) which appears in many Iranian names.
- 8. The y in Ayasi, Haynarana, Ayimisa, found also on the coins as an alternative for z in Ayilisa, etc. (see Gardner, op. cit. pp. 93, 173), most probably represents a j sound resembling the French j, for which reasons it must also remain undetermined whether the ayaria $(=\hat{a}ch\hat{a}cya)$ and $paya \ (=p\hat{a}j\hat{a})$ of our inscriptions were intended or not to represent a pronunciation with a y.
- 9. The name Abûhôlâ doubtless consists of two members, Abû (of uncertain meaning) to be traced in Αβανλοτης (see Justi's Iranisches Namenbuch, s. v.) + hôla, a variant of the hôra in Spālahôra and the hôrakā of our inscriptions. That spāla is a Pahlavî form of O. Pers. spāla = Zend spāla = Neo-Pers. sipāh is plain from its occurrence in Spalapati, which corresponds to the Persian Ispahbad, Pahlavî Spāhpat (see Justi, op. cit. and Horn, Neupersische Etymologie, No. 699). As the Zend-Persian ahara is used in the sense of 'prince' and as the form hôra is to be traced in the common (Sassanian) name Hornisalas, there can be no reason to doubt that this is the meaning of the second part of the name of Abûhôlâ and that her hôrakāparivāra was a 'retinue of princesses (or ladies).'
- 10. As regards the term Kusûlaa (=Kusûlaka of the Taxila Plate), it seems to me extremely unlikely that the word is unrelated to the Kuyûla, Kujûla, Koζουλα applied to Kadphises and Kanishka, more especially now that the Sârnâth inscriptions have brought Kanishka into relation with the northern Satraps. The word seems to me to have been probably a title of the order of Sáḥib, Bahâdur, and the like.

It will now be sufficient to enumerate the persons occurring in the inscriptions. These are:—

- (1) The family of Rajûla:-
- (a) Rājūla himself with his sons Kharaôsta (Yuvarāja, son of the Chief Queen Abūhôlā). Sudāsa (entitled Satrap), Khalama (entitled Kumāras), and Maja (entitled Kunishtha).—the two last also being possibly children of the Chief Queen Abūhôlā—and his daughter Hana.
- (2) Five other, probably princely, persons: Kalûi, Naülûdô, Kamûiô, Âyimiss Khalasamuśo. These were perhaps relatives of Rajûla.
- (3) Friendly satraps, namely Kusûlas Pâdika, Mevaki Miyika, K(r)ônina, Khardsa, Tachhila (Rachhila ...
- (4) A Buddhist áchárya, named Buddhila (Budhila), and a second (perhaps identical with the former), named Buddhadéva.

¹ Cf. Hüsing in Kuhne Zeitschrift, Vol. XXXVI. p. 562 ff., and Foy, Vol. XXXVI. p. 489 ff.

On this and other similar titles see M. Lévi's article in the Journal Asiatique, Sor. IX. Vol. XIX. p. 95 f.

The name of a satrap Mevaks is traced by Prof. Rapson on a coin (), R. A. S. 1894, p. 548).

The inscriptions supply in themselves no means of dating. But the style of the monument of which they celebrate the foundation seems to have been strongly Persian. This is in favour of an early date; but for a definite determination of it we must continue to rely upon the more or less contemporary Taxila plate belonging to the year 78 (in the reign) of the Great King Moga, who is usually placed (see Rapson, *Indian Coins*, § 29) as early as 120 B. C.

TEXTS, TRANSLATIONS AND NOTES.

A. I.

- l Mahachhatra(ttra)vasa rajulasa [Mahâchhatravassa Râjûlassa]
- 2 agra(ggra)maheshriayasia(o?) [agramahêshî-Âyasiâ]
- 3 komusaa dhite [Kômûsââ dhite]
- 4 khara(rha?)ostasa yuvaraña [Kharaôstassa yuvarâñah]
- 5 mata nadadi(si?)akasa.. [måtå Namdadi(si?)akasa..]

A. II.

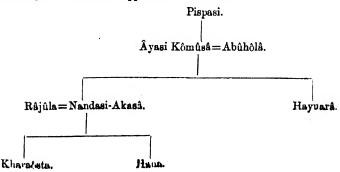
- 6 sadha mata(tra) abuholaa(e?) [sadha mâtrâ Abûhôlaâ]
- 7 pitramahi pispasria bhra [pitâmahî-Pispasiâ bhrâ-]
- 8 tra haynarana sadha hanadhitra(?) [-trà Haynarana sadha Hana-dhitrà]
- 9 atra(to) ürena horakapa [amtê ürêna hôrakâpa-]
- 10 rivarena iše pradhraviprate [-rivarena iše pradhraviprate-]
- ll se(sre?) nisime sarira pratithavito [-sê nissîmê sarîra|m] pratitthâvitê]
- 12 bhakrayato sakamunisa budhasa [bhakrayato Sakamunissa Buddhassa]
- 13 ma(mra?)kite(hi?)ra(?)ya saśpao bhusaveti(?) [. . . râya saśpaê bhûsâ-v-iti]
- 14 thuya cha sagharama cha chatu [thûva cha sainghârâma cha chatu-]
- 15 diśesa saghasa sarva [-ddiśassa sanghassa Sarvâ-]
- 16 stivatana parigrahe [-stivâtânam parigrahê].

TRANSLATION.

By the Chief Queen of the Great Satrap Rājūla, daughter of Åyasi Kômūsā, mother of the Heir Apparent Kharaôsta, Nandasi-Akasā (by name), together with her mother Abūhôlā, her paternal grandmother Pispasi, her brother Hayuarā (?), her daughter Hana, her household and court of hörakās (ladies), a relic was deposited in this piece of land in a stūpa with the thought: May it be for the eternal of the Holy Śākya sage Buddha.' And the stūpa and the monastery are for the acceptance of the universal Sangha of the Sarvāstivādins.

NOTES.

Genealogy.—The scheme appears to be as follows:—

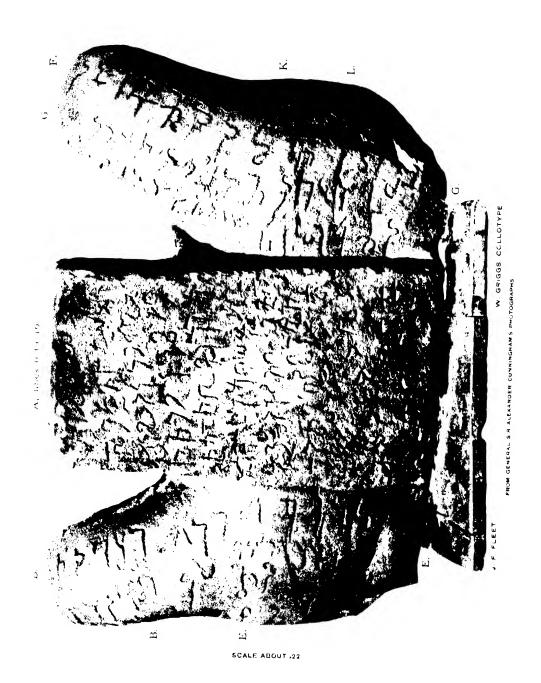


- Readings.—L. 1. The additional stroke in the tra, if not accidental, may denote a doubling. At least I learn from Prof. Rapson that a (cross) stroke is used in the Stein documents for that purpose.
- I. 2, aggra with a cross stroke; ma in mahéshi has the original form with a subscribed angle; shri has the cries r-atroke found elsewhere.
- L. 3, te in dhite is quite clear; it must be due to an error, as the regular form of the eccurs several times in the inscription.
- In 4. Is the side stroke in the r of kharadstasa accidental, or does it possibly represent h? See p. 138 above. It occurs in the place, though not with the shape, of aspiration in other consonants.
- I. 5. No doubt namdasi should be read, on the analogy of the other names. But the lower stroke of the akshara is curtailed (being at the edge of the stone) in such a way as to produce the appearance of the cursive da in Bühler's Table, col. viii. After sa nothing can be clearly seen on the stone. The analogy of the other names would lead us to expect saā. On the tain mātā see p. 137 above.
- I. S. From what nominative form the instrumental Haynaráná is to be derived is not obvious.
- In 9, a[m]teurina presents a case, rare in these inscriptions, of disappearance of a medial consonant. The only other cases are: (1) saspaë for sasvatë, 1.13 (if that is the correct reading): (2) k in nikraraassa and mähäsamghidna; and (3) khardaassa. As in general the medial consonants are sharpened rather than weakened, this seems to show a mixture of dialects. On the word hörakå see p. 140 above.
- In 11, nisime. Bühler takes this as denoting a stapa, and he quotes Professor Pischel's view that it is a Prakrit form of nihsama, used in the sense of 'high', hence =stapa. The word is certainly a substantive and the name of a manufactured object, as appears from the phrase nisima kárita niyátitó in inscription J.; but in point of etymology it may perhaps be related to the nissimamálaka of the Mahávańsa, o. xxxii: rannô śarîram jhápésnin yasmin nissimamálake.
- In 13. The last akshara is doubtful, and it is indeed possible to question whether any sign is intended after vi. Bühler's reading bhasati is out of the question. We must apparently take bhasa as a strange of tative form.
- 1. 12. The sign for $t\hat{a}$ is, owing to misplacement of the vowel stroke, that usually in these inscriptions denoting tra. I do not detect a sign for r.
 - L. 6. Whether mata or matra is inscribed I cannot determine.
 - L. 7, tra is clear in pitra, and sri in Pispasri.
- L. 9. The second akshara resembles tra more than anything else; if it is really $t\hat{\theta}$ (which in any case must be meant), the sign for \hat{e} is added to the earlier form of ta.
- 1. 13. Bühler's reading mukihitáya. The first akshara is cortainly not mu, but might be mra, unless it is simply ma, and the third is far from being an ordinary hi; the expression Buddhasya muktihitáya does not present an orthodox appearance.
 - L. 15, sé seems clear; compare ist in 1, 10.

Grammar and interpretation.— L. 1, 4 in Rajúla is supported by the Ranjubala, etc. of the coins.

1. 2. It is doubtful whether maheshi Agasi-° or maheshiû Yasi° is to be read. In the former case we have an omission (or postponement) of the sign of declension, as in pitâmahi, 1. 7. It would however not be entirely out of the question to take pratithâvitô as an active participle with the subject mâtâ in the nominative and a false concord: Bühler observes (p. 535) that 'pratithâvitô is the neuter, as frequently in the Shâhbâzgarhî version of the Rock-Edicts.' We may quote imam kaṭavô in Edict XI. Generally however in cases parallel to the present (e.g. in

Back of the capital.



ne Māṇikiāla, Taxila, and Wardak inscriptions) the active construction (pratithāvēti) is pro-

 \mathbf{B}^1

- 1 Mahachha(chchha?)travasa [mahachhatravassa]
- 2 vajulasya putra [Rājūlasya putra]
- ◆3 śudase chatrave [Sudâsê chhatravê].

TRANSLATION.

Sudasa, son of the Great Satrap Raulja, being Satrap.

NOTES.

- L. 1. A cross stroke, apparently intentional, on the chha may indicate duplication, as in the uses already noted.
 - L. 2, va (sic).
- L. 3. As these inscriptions seem to present no other nominatives in -e, Sudiss may best be garded as a locative; in M. it is plainly so.
 - C,2
 - l Kalui a [Kâlûî a-]
 - 2 varajo(jho?) [-varajô].

TRANSLATION.

Kâlûi, younger brother.

D.3

Nauludo [Nauludo].

E.4

- l Khara(rha?)osto yuvaraya [Kharaôstô yuvarâyê]
- 2 khalamasa kumara [Khalamasa kumara]
- 3 maja kanitha [Maja kanitha]
- 4 sa(sam ?)manamota.

TRANSLATION.

Kharaôsta, Heir Appareut; Khalamasa, kumûra; Maja; youngest; .

NOTES.

Bühler read $Jalama^{\circ}$ in 1. 2, but the akshara seems to be a kha. He also regarded casimi(t)maja as a single word. The last line is uncertain; but I may perhaps suggest that a cross stroke in $m\delta$ is accidental, in which case we may understand the words $samand\ mittal$ indicating that the three sons named were uterine brothers. Bühler's reading chha is by no cans borne out by inspection.

Kamuio [Kamûlô P].

NOTE.

Apparently a proper name, like Kålûî.

E".6

kra ka(rva ?)rita (yu ?) [-kra karita ?].

¹ See Plate II.

¹ In small letters at the place indicated in Plate III.

In smaller letters within E.; see Plate II.

On the right cheek of the right lion; not shown in the photographs.

² Sec Plate III.

⁴ See Plate, II.

NOTE.

The ta, if it is so to be read, has the earlier form.

F.

- 1 Budhilasa nakraraasa [Buddhilassa Nâkraraassa]
- 2 bhikhusa sarvastivatasa [bhikkhussa Sarvastivatassa].

$G_{\cdot,3}$

- 1 Mahachhatavasya kusulaasa padikasa mova(na)kisa [mahâchhatravasya Kusûlaassa Pâdikassa Mevakissa]
- 2 miyikasa chhatavasa puyae [Miyikassa chhatavassa pûyâê].

J. (3).3

Sarvastivatana padi[ri?]grahe [Sarvastivatana padi(ri?)grahê].

TRANSLATION.

- F.—Of the Nagara bhikkhu Buddhila, a Sarvastivadin.
- G.—For the honour of the Great Satrap, the Kusûlaka Pâdika, and the Satrap Mevaki Miyika.
 - J .- For the acceptance of the Sarvastivadins.

NOTES.

These three inscriptions, written in aksharas of about the same siz, adjoin each other, and may form a single whole.

Readings.—G. 1.—The va or na of môva(na)kisa is a single straight st.oke. Mêvaki is however more probable than mênaki (mainâki); see above.

J. (3).—The di in padigrahé (=pratigrahé) is identical with that in Pâdika; nevertheless parigrahé is on the whole more probable in view of A. l. 16. The hhikkhu Buddhila may be, but need not be, identical with the Buddhadêva of the inscription K. He belongs to Nagara, no doubt the famous city of Nagarahâra (but see Watter's Yuan Chwang, Vol. I. p. 184 ff., 201 and reff.). Concerning the remaining persons see the introductory remarks. There seems to be no ground for joining the inscription J. (3), as Bühler does, to the lines J. (1 and 2), on the opposite face (the front) of the stone.

M.4

- 1 Chha(chchha)trave sudise [chhatrave Sudise]
- 2 imo padhravi [imô padhravî]
- 3 prateśo [pratôśô]

T. 6

- 1 veys am (u?) dirna (dinam?) kadhavaro busapa
- 2 ro kadha
- 8 varo
- 4 viyaa

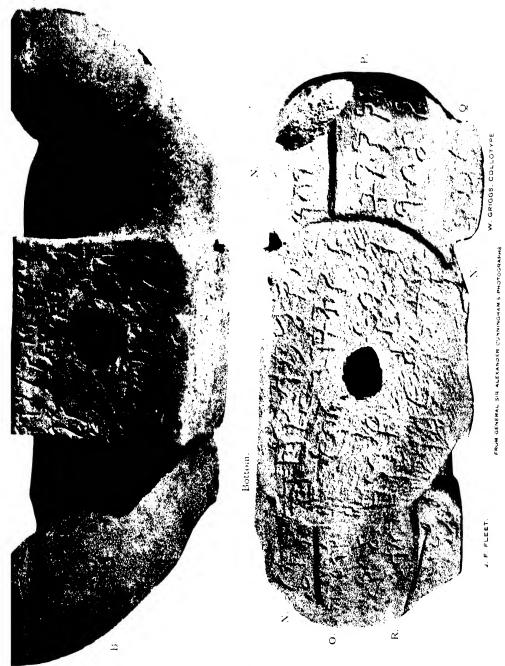
¹ See Plate II.

² Ilid.

[•] See Plate I.

Ibid.

Top and bottom of the capital.



J. (1 and 2.)1

- 1 viya rva palishte (??) na
- 2 nisimo karita niyatito [nissîmo karita niyyatito].

These three inscriptions present the most difficult problems of all those inscribed on the capital. They are written in aksharas of approximately the same size. As M. has no verb (uffless we here make use of the -krakûrita (?) of E".), we should naturally expect it to be in connection with one of the others. It certainly seems to join the veya° of I. 1. But here we enter upon a very obscure passage. Bühler with great ingenuity has elicited the reading veyaulino kadhavaro busaparo kadhavaro=vêgôdîrnê skandhâvârê busaparê skandhâvârê, which he renders 'the army has started in haste, the army is intent on wealth.' But to this there are, apart from the inappropriateness of the sense, the following objections: - (1) skandhåvåra does not mean 'an army,' but 'an encampment;' (2) the meaning 'riches' attached to busa is attested only by Wilson's Dictionary; (3) it is doubtful whether the third akshara is really u; it is unlike the other u's of these inscriptions and rather resembles am, while the bottom curve may even be a part of the accidental indentation in the stone (see the Plate); (4) a weakening of g to y in véya is contrary to the tendencies of the languages employed in these inscriptions. On the other hand, the ro of 1. 2 plainly follows the pa of 1. 1, and a reading veyaamdinam kadhavaro= vaijavantinām skandhāvārā appears but little promising. The viya which procedes the large rea in J. 1 is in small characters and no doubt an independent addition. Can it possibly be an insertion to show that the large rva, which apparently joins on to nothing, is an error for vya= riya? The sign which Bühler renders by ship (reproduced in his Indian Palwography, Plate I. col. xiii.), is quite clearly inscribed; but its meaning is anything but clear. It is more like rdi, which seems very unlikely. With the preceding pali (Bühler puli) it composes no doubt a proper name. What came before pali, occupying a space sufficient for 7 or 8 aksharas, is quite obscure owing to the stone having peeled away. We seem to have the remains of a sa; but what is to be done with the large rua commencing the line? Even adopting the suggestion that it is an error for vya we have no ground for proceeding further. The words nissimô kârita niyyâtitê, 'a stûpa was caused to be made and presented,' are quite satisfactory. We have already noted the older form of ta in karita. With these remarks I must be content so far as these inscriptions are concerned.

J'.2

- 1 Khalasamu-
- 2 śo.

The aksharas are perfectly clear, though Bühler read khalasana so. We seem to have here a proper name.

K. & L.3

- l Ayariasa [âyâriassa]
- 2 budhatevasa [Buddhatevassa]
- 3 utuena ayimisa [utaéna Ayimisa].

TRANSLATION.

Through the elevation of the dchdrya Buddhadeva, Âyimisa.

fris(945)

The exact meaning is not clear. We might take Ayimisa as a genitive with dinam understood. But what then was the dina? The last akshara of Ayimisa, which lacks the tail of the sa, was read by Bühler as ta.

See Plate I. 2 On the log of the left lion, under his tail.

³ Not shown in the Plates: incised in very clear characters on the breast of the left lion between J. and F.-tj. we Plate II): plainly a single independent record.

H.1

Guhavihare [Guhâvihârê].

TRANSLATION.

In the cave rihâra.

Bühler would translate: 'In the Guha-monastery,' and the matter cannot be considered certain, as we have a Hamsasangharama near Gaya (Archwological Survey Reports, Vol. I. p. 18) and a (Jaina) Mihiravihara mentioned in an inscription published by him in Ep. Int. Vol. II. p. 212.

 $\mathbf{H}'.^2$

Dhamada(?)na(?) [dhammadanam].

TRANSLATION.

Religious donation.

N 3

- 1 Ayariasa budhilasa nakraraasa bhikhu [âyâriassa Buddhilassa Nâkraraassa bhikkhu-
- 2 sa sarvastivatasa pagra [-ssa Sarvāstivātassa pāgrā-]
- 3 na mahasaghiana pra [-nam Māhāsāmghiānam prā-]
- 4 ma(?)ñavitave khalulasa [-mâñavittavê khalûlassa].

TRANSLATION.

To the Sarvastivadin acharya Buddhila, a bhikkhu of Nagara, an exercise-ground in the knowledge of the nature of proof to the vanguard of the Mahasanghikas.

- L. l. Buddhila is, of course, the bhikkhu already mentioned in the inscription F. The rendering 'of Nagara' (Bühler) seems to be the most satisfactory among the meanings of Nagaraka, for which see the St. Petersburg Dictionary. Concerning the place probably denoted see Watter's Yuan Chwang, Vol. I. pp. 184 ff., 201 and reff.
- Il. 2-3. Of the sa which Bühler inserts after gra, in order to get the word prakásamá I can see no trace.
- L. 4. The reading seems certain; the only difficulty is the word khalula. Halâyudha give khadârikâ in the sense of 'a military exercise-ground,' and the Atharva-Vêda has khadâra with indeterminate sense. If the rendering given above does not seem quite acceptable, we may a least find in khalula some form from the root khand, so common still in titles of controversial works. That the Mâhârânghikas were opposed to the Sarvâstivâdius Bühler has already observed. I conjecture that pramañavitave=prâmânyavittvê.

 \mathbf{O}^{s}

- 1 Sarvabudhana puya dhamasa [sarvabuddhânain pûyâ dhammassa]
- 2 puya saghasa puya [pûyâ sanighassa pûyâ].

TRANSLATION.

Honour to all the Buddhas, Honour to the Dharma, Honour to the Sangha.

 \mathbf{P}^3

- 1 Sarvasa sakrasta [sarvassa Sakrastā-]
- 2 nasa puyae [-nassa pûyae].

In small characters below the letter H. in Plate I.

² In small characters, as H., below the letter H'. in Plate I.

³ See Plate III.

TRANSLATION.

For the honour of all Sakastana.

The objections raised by Dr. Fleet (Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society, 1904, pp. 703-9; 1905, pp. 154-6) to this rendering of Bühler seem to me ineffective. As regards the presence of Sakas at Mathura, see the introductory remarks, where it is also shown that the form of the word exactly represents the name of Sakastana. Nor is there any difficulty in the expression of honour to the' whole realm of the Sakas,' since we find in the Wardak inscription (and elsewhere, e.g. in the inscriptions of Sue Vihâr, Anyor, and various Mathura inscriptions, which have regard to the good and happiness of all living oreatures,' sarvasattvanam) even more comprehensive expressions; nor again is there any difficulty in the use of sarva (uncompounded) with the meaning 'whole' (see the St. Petersburg Dictionary). As regards svaka, 'one's own,' (a common word), and the Páli sakatthána, 'one's own place (home, etc.),' it may be remarked that, while it is natural to say, as in the passages cited by Dr. Fleet, 'he went to his own home,' etc., it seems less natural to inscribe on the stone 'honour to (somebody's) own home,' etc. [This inscription has been recently discussed by M. Barth, Comptes Rendues de l'Académie, 1907, pp. 384 ff., with his accustomed perspicacity. I am, however, unable to admit that the name of a donor is required here any more than in the inscriptions G. and O. A $p\bar{u}j\bar{s}$ addressed to a country is certainly annusual, but inscription G. contains a similar $p\bar{u}j\bar{a}$ addressed to the chief representatives of the Saka dominion.

Q.I

- 1 Khardaasa [Khardaassa]
- 2 chhatravasa [chhatavassa].

TRANSLATION.

Of the Satrap Khardaa.

R.

- 1 Ra(ta?)chhilasa [Ra(Ta?)chhilassa]
- 2 kroninasa [Koninassa ?].

TRANSLATION.

Of Rachhila (Tachhila?) Kaundinya (?).

Kaundinya is a suggestion of Bühler, who also regards Tachhilasa as = Takshasilasa.

Additional Notes.

- 1. A number of questions relating to, or connected with, the inscriptions on the Lion apital—for instance the forms of the names Moga, Rājūla, and Kharaosta, and the date of Moga—have been discussed by Dr. J. F. Floot in an article entitled 'Moga, Maues, and Venones,' published in the J. R. A. S. for October 1907, pp. 1013-40.
- 2. P. 137, 1.9: Insert after 'pp. 526 ff.' the words '(where sapana is perhaps = sappana = sattvānām, see Pischel's Grammatik der Prakrt-sprachen §300).'
- 3. P. 137, l. 38: Insert after 'detached stroke' the words 'to the left together with the ame curve to the right that in se denotes e, see bolow.'
- 4. P. 139, l. 44: Insert after the words 'defence of sovereignty' the words 'see the Iranian rundries II. p. 97.'



See Plate III, and Plate I, where R. has been printed in error. The word chhatavasa is inverted on the

¹ See Plate III.

No. 18.— MOUNT ABU VIMALA TEMPLE INSCRIPTION OF [VIKRAMA-] SAMVAT 1378.

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In 1828 H. H. Wilson, in As. Res. Vol. XVI. p. 284 ff., published an account of the inscriptions on the mountain Arbuda, the modern Mount Âbû in the Sirohi State of Râjputâna, from copies presented to the Asiatic Society of Bengal by Captain Speirs, Political Agent at Sirohi. In that account Prof. Wilson gave full translations of one of the two large inscriptions at the temple of Nôminâtha, the texts of which were first published in 1883 by Mr. A. V. Kâthavate, and which have now been edited, with facsimiles, by Prof. Lüders, above, Vol. VIII. p. 200 ff.; of the Guhila inscription in the neighbourhood of the temple of Achalêšvara, edited by myself in Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 347 ff.; and of the Achalêšvara temple inscription of which I have treated above, p. 79 ff. Of other inscriptions only short abstracts of the contents were given, apparently based on an account in Hindi that had been drawn up by a native scholar.

For many years afterwards little³ was done for the study of the Mount Âbû inscriptions. But in the cold season of 1900-01 Mr. Cousens, Superintendent of the Archmological Survey of India, Western Circle, while staying at Âbû, had impressions (or, in a few cases, eyecopies) prepared of all inscriptions which are now found on the mountain; and by sending them to the Government Epigraphist he for the first time has placed at our disposal trustworthy materials for a critical examination of these records. Most of these inscriptions are very short: none of them go back beyond the middle of the 11th century A.D.; and considering their great number, the data furnished by them for the political history of the country are disappointingly few. In other respects, some are of considerable interest and well deserve to be made more generally accessible, while a good many contain some name, or expression, or date, or perhaps only some mark or letter, which, unimportant as it may seem at first sight, may prove of use on a future occasion.

The number of the inscriptions in Mr. Cousens' collection, which has been sent to me by Prof. Hultzsch, is 298, of which 270 are ink-impressions and 28 eye-copies only. Of the total number, 148 are from the temple of Rishabha (Âdinâtha) which was founded by Vimala; 97 from the temple of Nômiuâtha, founded by Tôjahpâla; 30 from the temple of Achalêsvar and 13 from other localities. Of the Vimala temple inscriptions 126 are dated, the earliest date being of the [Vikrama] year 1119 (about A.D. 1062), in a short inscription (No. 1780 of Mr. Cousens' List) of a minister of the Chaulukya Bhîmadêva I., and the latest (in No. 1874) of the [Vikrama] year 1785 (about A.D. 1728); between the two, the years which most

A kind of facsimile of the inscription may be seen in ...hdvpagar Inscr. Plate xxxvi.

² Prof. Wilson also gave a translation of the inscription of the Vikrama year 1265, published by Dr. Cartellier in Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 221 ff., the original of which is now at the town of Sirohi; see Progress Report of the Archwol. Survey of India, W. Circle, for 1905-1906, p. 47

⁸ For inscriptions that have been edited (in addition to those translated by Prof. Wilson) see my Northern List, Nos. 261 and 205.

In inscriptions the temple's called Vimala-vasahika. Vimalasya vasahika, Vimala-vasahi, and Vimala-vasahi, and Vimala-vasahika-tirtha, in literary works also Vimala-vasahi. Above, p. 81, I have already stated that the names 'Vimala Sah' or 'Vimala Shah,' recently written 'Vimala Sa,' in my opinion owe their origin to a misunderstanding of the term Vimala-vasahika, 'Vimala's temple.' Similarly, Langasyasahika has given rise to the name (for Tejah-pala's brother) 'Luniga Sahika,' in As. Res. Vol. XVI, p. 309.

Above, Vol. VIII. p. 200, Prof. Lüders has shown that the ordinary name of the temple is Lûnasinha (of Lûnastha) vasahika or Lûnasvasahika. In inscriptions I also find Lûniga-vasahika, Têjapala-vasahika and Têjala-vasahi, and in literary works Lûniga-vasahi.

frequently occur are the Vikrama years 1245 (22 times) and 1378 (25 times). Of the inscriptions at Tejahpâla's temple 77 are dated, and here the earliest dates are of the Vikrama year 1257 (about A.D. 1230), the very year in which the temple was founded, while the latest date (in No. 1748) is one of the [Vikrama] year 1911 (about A.D. 1854); no less than 47 inscriptions are dated between the Vikrama years 1287 and 1297, and 9 between 1346 and 1389. Of the 30 inscriptions at the temple of Achalésvara 22 are dated. Here the earliest inscription appears to be one (No. 1950), unfortunately almost entirely effaced, of the [Vikrama] year 1186 (about A.D. 1129), and another (No. 1941) seems to contain a date in the [Vikrama] year 1191. What I consider to be certain is, that No. 1951 of Mr. Cousens' List is dated in the [Vikrama] year 1207 (about A.D. 1150), in the reign of the [Paramara] Mahamandaleseara Yaśódhavaladêva (a feudatory of the Chaulukya Kumarapala, an inscription of whom is dated in the same year).1 Two other inscriptions (Nos. 1945 and 1946) are dated in the [Vikrama] years 122[5] and 122[8], the rest in 1377 and later years. Rogarding the 13 remaining inscriptions, it will suffice to say that the Guhila inscription mentioned above (No. 1953 of the [list) is dated in the [Vikrama] year 1342, and that the dates which occur in others are of later years.

Of the inscriptions at the temple of Nêminâtha, the two largest and most important, together with 30 shorter ones, have been edited from Mr. Consens' materials by Prof. Lüders, above, Vol. VIII. p. 200 ff. I now give the text of an inscription of the [Vikrama] year 1378, which is at the temple of Rishabha, and the chief point of interest in which is the statement that that temple was founded in the Vikrama year 1088 (about A.D. 1031) by a certain Vimala, who had been appointed dandapati at Arbuda by [the Chaulukya] Bhîmadêva [1.].

Before I proceed to describe the inscription, I may state that the date here given for the foundation of the temple is known to us also from other sources. In Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 248, the late Dr. Klatt gave an extract from a Pattavali of the Kharatara-gachchha, according to which 'the minister Vimala, who belonged to the Pôravâda (Prâgvâța) family, and who broke the parasols of thirteen Sultans and established the town of Chandravati, caused a temple of Rishabhadêva to be built on the mountain Arbuda — a temple which even now is known by the name Vimala-vasahi,' and which, it is added, was consecrated by Vardhamanasuri in the year 1088. The same story, with the same date, is more fully given in the extracts in Prof. Webor's Catalogue of the Berlin MSS., Vol. II. pp. 1036 and 1037, where we are moreover told that, to obtain from the Brahmans the ground on which he intended to build the temple. Vimals had to cover it with gold coins, and that he expended 18 crores and 53 lacs (185,300,000) in the building of the temple. And the date also occurs in an interesting extract from Jinaprabhasûri's Tirthakalpa, in Prof. Peterson's Fourth Report, p. 92 f. There, again, the Vikrama year 1088 is given for the foundation of the Vimala-rasati, and 1288 for that of the Liniga-vasati,3 and it is also stated that, when the two temples had been demolished or damaged (bhagna) by the Mlechehhas, they were repaired in the Saka year 1243 (i.e. the Vikrama year 1378), the first by Lalla, the son of Mahanasimha, and the other by Pithada, the son of the merchant Chandasimha. We shall see below that our inscription actually records the restoration, in 1378, of Vimala's temple by Lalla (Låliga), the son of Mahanasimha, and

¹ No. 129 of my Northern List.

² So far as I can see, there is something wrong in the verses 39 and 40, as given by Prof. Peterson, but regarding the date of the construction of the *Vimala-vasati* there can be no doubt.

According to the extracts, the stiradhara, who built the Liniga-vasati, was Sobhanadeva, who is mentioned in the same way (as prasadakaraka-stiradhara) in Mêrutunga's Prabandhachintamani, p. 250. This builder's asme actually occurs in No. 1674 of Mr. Cousens' List, an inscription of the Vikrama year 1288.— Jinaprabhasiri's account of the mountain Arbuda, from which the extracts are taken, seems to be based on inscriptions and to be quite trustworthy.

Vijada, the sen of Dhanasinha; and the name of the person who repaired the temple of Têjahpâla (the Lûniga-vasati) is given as Pêthada in an inscription! at that temple, the full text of which is:—

1. 1 $0\,\mathrm{m}^2$ || $^3\hat{\mathrm{A}}$ -chamdrárkkam namdatád-ésha samghá-|*dhísah srímá-2 n Péthadah samgha-yuktah | jîrunôddháram Vastupála-3 sya chaityé |* tônô yên-éhâşrbudádrau sva-sáraih ||

The inscription with which we are more immediately concerned hero⁵ is on a black slab, built into the side-wall of a shrine in the corridor of Vimala's temple. It contains 30 lines of writing which cover a space between 1'71" and 1'8" broad by 1' 11" high, but of which only the first 22 lines extend over the full breadth of this space; lines 23-29 are only $1' \, 5\frac{1}{2}'' \, \log$ and line 30 (which contains merely a date) only $3\frac{7}{8}''$. The greater part of the writing is well preserved; but in line 16 about 10 aksharas and in line 17 about 4 aksharas are effaced, and in some places the writing is difficult to read, mainly, as it seems to me, because the letters have been formed carclessly and are so close to one another that they have not come out clearly in the ink-impression at my disposal.6 The size of the letters is between 4" and 3". The characters are Nagari. The language is Sanskrit, and, with the exception of the words on || sri-Arbudatirtha-prasastir-likhyats || at the commencement, the words atha rajavali || in line 9, and the date in line 30, the text is in verse, the number of verses being 42. In respect of orthography only few remarks are necessary. There are separate signs for the letters b and v, and the sign for the former has been wrongly employed also for v in sarbajña-, l. 16, and -sambhabaḥ, l. 21. The palatal sibilant is used instead of the dental in manasvi, 1. 4, samha- (for simha-), 1. 6, and sahasre, 1. 8; and the dontal instead of the palatal in nivîsitam, 1. 8, pêsala-, 1. 18, and śasi-, 1. 29. Instead of the vowel ri we have the syllable ri in Rishabha, Il. 26 and 29; and in line 24 the author himself has written shad-arttarab instead of shad=ritavah, which would not have suited the metre.8 What is more interesting is, that in line 4 we find uripasa for nripasya, and in line 21 vaddjāā instead of vaddnyd. The latter reminds us of the name Nyanasakti (instead of Jādnasakti) in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 93. 26, and shows that in Râjputâna as well as in the Kanarese country there could have been hardly any difference in pronunciation between jna and nya; and nripasa recalls tasa and similar genitive cases of far more ancient inscriptions, without, of course, proving more than that the pronunciation of s must have been similar to that of the conjunct sy. In respect of grammar I need draw attention only to the word vidadhana, in line 3, the reading of which certain, and which the author undoubtedly has used as a 3rd person singular of the Perfect of vi-dhâ (instead of vidadhê), probably misled by the participle vidadhâna which was more familiar to him than the proper verbal form.10 Though the writer or engraver in some places has done his work carelessly, I believe that, with the exception of what has been entirely effaced

¹ No. 1743 of Mr. Cousens' List, "on pilaster near shrine doorway of the principal temple in Vastupila's temple."

² Denoted by a symbol.

⁸ Metre : Salini.

These signs of punctuation are superfluous

No. 1790 of Mr. Cousens' List.

When my text was finished, I was able to compare in pressions kindly sent to me by Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha and by the Government Epigraphist, which in one or two places where there had been some doubt confirmed the correctness of my readings.

⁷ For curiosity's sake at may be stated that the Sanskrit fafa, German 'hase,' English 'hare,' seems to go lack to an original fafa; compare Prof. W. skernagel's Altind. Gramm. Vol. I. p. 225.

b Compare shadricha and shadarcha in the St. Petersburg Dictionary.

See Prof. Rapson in Journ. Roy. As. Soc. 1900, p. 104 f. Frank. Prof. Franke's Páli and Sanskrit, p. 971 and compare the genitive cases terasa, sagaía, etc., in Ep. Zeylahica, Vol. I. p. 18 ff.

¹⁰ Proper Perfect forms which occur in the text are babhilou, babhilouh, chakira, didita, pra-pidi and kid-ayum-diatuh.

and of perhaps the last words of verse 21, the original text may everywhere be restored with confidence.

The object of the inscription is, to record that in the [Vikrama] year 1378 two persons, Lalla (Lâliga) and Vijada, for the spiritual welfare of their parents repaired the temple of Rishabha (Âdinâtha) on the mountain Arbuda. And the inscription is divided into three parts. The first part (verses 1-13) is a prasasti or eulogy of the sacred Arbuda; but besides glorifying that locality and some mythical or divine beings (Ambikâ and Śrîmâtâ) residing there, it also gives a few historical details connected with it, and especially records the foundation, in the Vikrama year 1088, of the temple of Âdinâtha by Vimala. The second part (vv. 14-23) contains a rājūvali of the chiefs who at the time of the restoration of the temple were in possession of the mountain. And the third part (vv. 24-38) gives an account of the family of the men by whom the temple was repaired. The concluding verses (39-42) record the name and spiritual lineage of the priest or teacher who consecrated the restored building, and the exact date when he did so.

To omit what is of no historical interest, the first part begins with the well-known story how on the mountain Arbuda there sprang from the fire-pit (anala-kunda, agni-kunda) of the sage Vasishtha the here Paramara. In his lineage appeared the here Kanhadadéva; and in his family there was a chief named Dhandhu (Dhandhuraja), who was lord of the town of Chandravati and who, averse from rendering homage to the [Chanlukya] king Bhimadéva [I.] and to escape that king's anger, took refuge with king Bhôja, the lord of Dhara. The author then, rather abruptly, tells us that in the Pragvata family there was a distinguished personage named Vimala in whom religion, immerged in darkness through the wickedness of the times, suddenly shone forth again in its splendour. He was appointed by king Bhima dandapati temmander of the forces or governor) at Arbuda, and there one night was enjoined by the divine Ambika to build on the mountain a beautiful dwelling for the Yugadibhartri (Yugadijina, Adinatha). That Vimala obeyed the request the author intimates in the verse: "I adore the holy Adinatha who was placed on the top of Arbuda by the glorious Vimala, when one thousand and eighty-eight years had passed since (the time of) the glorious king Vikramaditya."

The chief Dhandhu or Dhandhurâja, spoken of in the preceding paragraph, apparently is the Pramâra (or Paramâra) Dhandhuka mentioned above, p. 11, whose son Pûrṇapâla ruled the Arbuda territory in the Vikrama years 1099 and 1102.\frac{1}{2}. He would of course have been a contemporary of both the Chaulukya Bhimadéva I. and the Paramâra Bhôjadéva of Mâlava.—Vimala's name occurs in another inscription at his own temple, dated in the Vikrama year 1201.\frac{1}{2} That inscription,\frac{3}{2} No. 1767 of Mr. Cousens' List, contains 10 lines of writing which covers a space about 2' 6" long by 5\frac{3}{2}" high, and contains 17 verses. In the ink-impression the first two lines of it cannot be read with any confidence, but so far as I can see, a man is spoken of in them who belonged to the Śrîmâla kula and was an ornament of the Prâgvâța vaisia. His son was Lahadha, who was somehow connected with the king Mûla (i.e. the Chaulukya Mûlarâja I.)\frac{1}{2} and was also known by the name Vîra-mahattama. Lahadha had two sons. The first of them was the minister Nêdha, and the second Vimala, who in verse 7 is described thus:—

Dvitîyakô-dvaitamatâvalamvî(bî) daindâdhipah śrî-Vimalô va(ba)bhûva | yên-êdam-uchchair-bhavasimdhusêtukalpam vinirmmâpitam-atra vôsma ||

¹ The name Dhandhuka also occurs in the genealogy of the Paramaras of Chandravatt, above, Vol. VIII p 201.

² According to Mr. Cousens the inscription is over the doorway of cell No. 10 in the corridor of Vimala's temple. It is referred to in As. Res. Vol. XVI. p. 311, in the words: "One inscription bears date S. 1201, but as nothing else is decipherable, it is of no further value."

Nêdha's son was Lâliga; his son was the minister Mahiduka; and he again had two 8018, Hêma and Dasaratha. And the object of the inscription is, to record that Dasaratha at the temple of Rishabha set up an image of Nêmijinêsa (Nêmitîrthakara, i.e. Nêminâtha), which was installed on Friday, the first tithi of Jyêshtha of the Vikrama year 1201, corresponding to Friday, the 5th May A.D. 1144. I may add that the genealogy here given is for the greater part corroborated by another inscription at Vimala's temple, No. 1768 of Mr. Cousens' List, the full text of which is:—

EPIGRAPHIA INDICA.

- L. 1 3Śrî-Śrîmâlakulðdbhava-|4 Vîramahâmaintri-putra-[sa]nmaintri- | śrî-
 - 2 Nêdha-putra-Lâliga-tatsuta-Mahimduka-bsutên=êdam || Nijapu-
 - 3 trakalatra-samanvitêna | sanmaintri-Dasarathên=êdain | srî-Nêmi-
 - 4 nåtha-[b]imvam⁶ | 4 môkshârtham kåritam ramyam | 1

For us the main point of interest is the date which the first of the two inscriptions furnishes for Daśaratha; for that date, being of the Vikrama year 1201, shows that Vimala, the younger brother of Daśaratha's great-graudfather Nêḍha, may well have lived in the Vikrama year 1088, the traditional date for the foundation of his temple.

The contents of the second part of our inscription (verses 14-23) I have already given above, p. 81 f. This rājāvali in verse 14 commences with Asaraja, who belonged to the Châhuvāma (Châhuvāṇa, Châhamâna) family and was king of the town of Nadūla (Nadūla). After him came Samarasimha; and his son was Mahaṇasimhabhaṭa (v. 15). Then came Pratāpamalla; and to him was born Vijaḍa, the lord of the Marusthalī maṇḍala (v. 16). He had three sons, the first of whom was the king Lūṇiga (v. 17). Verse 18 then eulogias Luṇḍha who like a god of death devoured the host of adversaries; and verse 19 Lumbha, of whom verse 20 records that he conquered the mountain Arbuda, and that, after having ruled the earth, he became the lord of heaven (i.e. died). Verse 21 then eulogizes Tējasimha, the son of Lūṇiga; verse 22 wishes long life to Tihuṇāka; and the mutilated verse 23 appears to say that Lumbhaka together with Tējasimha and Tihuṇā (śrimal-Lumbhaka-nāmā samarvitas-Tējasimha-Tihuṇābhyām) in right manner carried on the government of the mountain Arbuda.

Regarding the first part of this râjâralî, as far as Vîjada, there can be no doubt, and I have nothing to add to what I have previously said about it. A difficulty arises concerning the sons of Vîjada. According to the inscription of Luntigadêva, above, p. 80, Vîjada, who is also called Dašasyandana (Dašaratha), had four sons—Lāvanyakarna, Lundha (Luntiga). Lakshmana, and Lūnavarman, of whom Lāvanyakarna is distinctly called the eldest (jyêshta). According to the present inscription Vîjada had three sons the first (âdya) of whom was Lūniga. After Lūniga the inscription mentions Lundha and Lumbha, without saying that they were his younger brothers or in any way specifying their relationship. In my account of Luntigadêva's inscription I have identified Lūniga with Lāvanyakarna, and have taken Lundha and Lumbha to be the names of his b others, identifying Lundha with Lundha (Luntiga) and Lumbha with Lūnavarman. Other inscriptions are sure to be discovered which will show whether I am right or wrong. In the meantime I feel bound to state that my friend Mr. Ojha, than whom nobody is betier acquainted with the history of his country, takes the three names Lūniga, Lundha and Lumbha (Lumbhaka) to denote one and the same person, and to be all Sauskritized forms of Lumbha, denoting a chief 'commonly called Ta All,

¹ The metre shows that the name is correct here.

² The inscription is on the seat of an image in cell No. 10 in the corridor.

Metre of the two verses : Arya.

These signs of punctuation are superfluous.

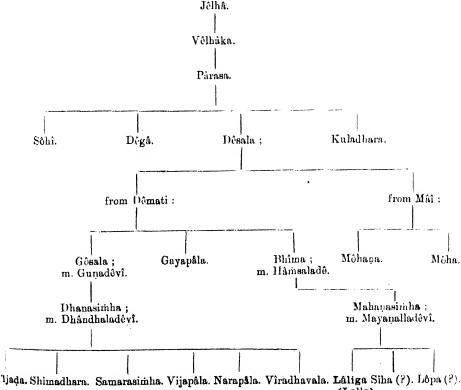
The metre requires us to read Mahiduka ..

Read bimbam.

the famous conqueror of Abû.' If my learned friend should be right, the last lines of the genealogical Table published above, p. 83, would of course have to be slightly altered. Mr. Oiha agrees with me in considering Tihunaka (Tihuna) to be a younger brother of Téjasimha, but from his point of view places both, together with Têjasimha's son Kânhadadêva, under Luntiga (Lundha, Lûniga, Lumbha). At the time when our inscription was composed, in the Vikrama year 1378, Lumbha was dead, and the government of Abû must have been actually carried on by Tejasimha.

The account, which forms the third part of our inscription (verses 24-38), of the family of the two men (Lalia and Vijada) who restored the temple, contains little more than a list of names which may be seen from the following Table:-

Gonealogical Table.



(Lalla).

The individuals mentioned in this Table were devotedly attached to the Jaina faith. Jelha, e founder of the family, was a merchant, and his guru was Dharmasuri.1 His place of sidence was given in the inscription, but the name has been effaced. Of Desals it is said at he made fourteen processions to the seven secred places, Satrumjaya and the rest. he other members of the family are eulogized in general terms.

^{&#}x27; Sec below, p. 154.

The seven terthas or kehetras are frequently mentioned, but I have not yet found the names of the seven ices.

There are at Vimala's temple several short inscriptions of members of this family, likewise dated in the [Vikrama] year 1378. And there is a longer inscription of the same family, No. 1791 of Mr. Cousens' List, which is dated, in words and figures, in the Vikrama year 1309. This inscription contains 25 lines of writing with 15 verses, and records the installation, by Anandasûri, of an image of Nêmijina (Nêminâtha) at Vimala's vasahikâ. We learn from it that the family belonged to the Ûkê[éa] vamsa,² and that its founder, Jélhâka, as he is there called, was an inhabitant of Māṇḍavyapura (Mandor). After Kuladhara it mentions five sons of his, but as the text is partly effaced, I am not at present prepared to give their names from the ink-impression at my disposal.

The remaining verses (39-42) of our inscription record that Rishabha was installed (or rather re-installed) on the mountain Arbuda by the guru or sûri Jñanachandra, on a date in the [Vikrama] year 1378. Regarding the spiritual lineage of Jñânachandra, we lear that he was preceded by Amaraprabhasûri, and that the founder of the lineage was Dharmasuri, also called Dharmaghôsha-ganaryaman, i.e. Dharmaghôsha, 'the sun of the gana,' who defeated Vadichandra and Gunachandra, and caused the awakening of three kings.' Other inscriptions of the [Vikrama] year 1378 speak of Jñanachandra either as being in the patta of Dharmasûri 3 or as being in the patta of Dharmaghôshasûri; 4 and an undated inscription, No. 1796 of Mr. Cousons' List, commences with the words: Srimel-Dharmaghishasûri-paţţê śrî-Ana(na)mdasûri-śri-Amaraprabhasûri-paţţê śrî-J#ânachamdrasûri-The Anandasûri of the last must be the Anandasûri mentioned above with a date in the Vikrama year 1309; and the Anandasûri and Amaraprabhasûri of the inscription apparently are the Anandasûri and his disciple Amaraprabhasûri who, according to Prof. Peterson's Fifth Report, p. 110, l. 1, are mentioned in a manuscript written by Amaraprabhasûri's advice in the [Vikrama] year 1344. Before Anandasûri there is mentioned, ibid. p. 109, Dharmasari (a disciple of Śîlabhadrasûri of the Raja-gachchha), who to the pride of conceited disputants was what the lion's roar is to an elephant, and who put an end to the intoxication of the king Vigraha. And the same person is mentioned, under the name Dharmaghoshasuri, in Prof. Peterson's Third Report, App. pp. 15 and 307, where he is represented as onlightening the king of Sakambharl; and ibid. p. 262, where he is said to have defeated disputants in the presence of the king of the Sapadalaksha country. From all this there can be no doubt that of the three kings who in our inscription are spoken of as having been awakened by Dharmasûri, one was a king Vigrabarāja of Śākambharī (the capital of the Sapādalaksha country). It fact, I believe that that king is identical with Vîsaladêva-Vigraharâja, whose Delhi Siwahk pillar inscriptions (No. 144 of my Northern List) are dated in the Vikrama year 1220 (in A.D. 1164), and that Dharmaghòshasûri himself is a person of that name who in a short Vimala temple inscription (No. 1906 of Mr. Cousens' List) is mentioned with a date in the [Vikrama] year 1226 (in A.D. 1170). Who the two other kings were I do not know; nor have I identified yet Vadichandra and Gunachandra who were defeated by Dharmasûri.

The date given in verse 42 is Monday, the ninth tithi of the dark half (siti) of Jyèshtha in the year made up of the vasus (8), the manis (7), the gunus (3) and the moon (1), i.e. the Wikrama] year 1378. Here there is the difficulty that the word siti, which I have translated by 'the dark half,' might equally well do note 'the bright half'; and at first sight the latter interpretation might really seem to be preferable, because in line 30 of our text the date is repeated

This is the inscription referred to in As. Res. Vol. XVI. p. 311, in the words: "Another (viz. inscriptor) in like manner, shows a date S. 1309, but nothing else."

² I.c. the Osavâla tribe; compare Ep. Ind. Vol. 11, p. 40.

Nos. 1759, 1822 and 1852 of Mr. Cousens' List.

⁴ Nos. 1756, 1758A, 1764 and 1793 of Mr. Cousens' List.

⁵ There is a Vådichandra who composed the Jädnasäryödaya; 1 do not know whether he is the man mentioned in our inscription.

in the words 1379 Jyôshtha-sudi 9 Sômô. But against this it has to be said that in four independent inscriptions (Nos. 1771, 1821, 1829 and 1904 of Mr. Cousens' List) we have sainvat (or sain) 1378 varshê Jyêshtha-vadi 9 Sôma-dinê (or Sômê), which evidently is the same date as the one given in our inscription. And besides, for the bright half of Jyaishtha the date would be quite incorrect for 1378 (as a Chaitrâdi current or expired, or Kârttikâdi expired year), whereas far the dark half of the pûrnimânta Jyaishtha of the expired Kârttikâdi Vikrama year 1378 it regularly corresponds to Monday, the 10th May A.D. 1322. For these reasons I regard my translation of the date to be correct and take Monday, the 10th May A.D. 1322 to be its proper equivalent; and I consider the way in which the date has been repeated in line 30 (where '1379' under any circumstances would be suspicious) to be due to a mistake.

TEXT.

l || Om² || 3 Śrî-Arbudatîrtha-praśastir=likhyatê || 4 Amgîkrit-âchalapadê vrishabhêsitê= si | 6 bhûtir=gaṇâdhipatisêvita-pâdapadmaḥ | śambhur-yngâdipurushê jagadêkanâthaḥ puṇyâya pallavayatuê prati-vâsaram sa[h]? || 1

2 *Nibaddha-mûlaih phalibhih sapatrai* drumair-narêmdrair iva sêvyamanah | pâdâgrajûgrad-bahuvâhinîkah śrî-Arbudô namdatu śaila-râjah || 2 Yasmin 10Viśishtânalakumḍa-janmâ kshatikshati-trâṇaparah pur=âsît | pratyashi-11

3 rthisárthónmathaná-kritáthí | 12 kshitáv=ilia śrî-Paramára-námá | | 3 13Tad-anvayê Kanhadadéva-vîrah pur=âvir-âsîva prabala-pratápah | chiram nivásam vidadhána yasya karámbujó sarvajagaj-jayaśrîh | | 4 16Tatkulakamala-

4 marâlah kâla[h*] pratyarthi-manidalîkânâ[m*] | Chamdravatîpur-îsah samajanî vîr-âgranî[r*]=Dha[m*]dhuh || 5 || 17Śrî-Bhîmadêvasya nripasa(sya) sêvâm= amanya[m]ânah kila Dhamdhurâjah | narêsa-rôshâch-cha tatô manasvî(svî) Dhârâdhipam

- ¹ From an impression supplied by Mr. Cousens, No. 1790 of his List.
- ² Denoted by a symbol.
- ³ Here, as often elsewhere, the vowel of trt is left unchanged before the initial vowel of a proper name.
- ⁴ Metre: Vasantatilakâ.
- ⁵ This sign of punctuation, which is superfluous, may have been struck out in the original.
- ⁸ Originally °yamtu was engraved.
- 7 Originally sed was engraved, but it seems to have been changed to sah.— So far as I can see, the verse does not admit of a proper construction. In the three first Phdas the author addresses the Jaina Tirthamkara Rishabha, in terms which would be equally applicable to the god Siva; and, as the text stands, he then in the fourth Phda speaks of him in the third person, in words which would literally mean 'may he day by day put forth sprouts for (our) religious merit.' Instead of patlavayatu I should have expected patlavaya, followed by an accusative case and generally words to some such effect as 'cause our devotion to thee to sprout for our religious merit!' (Compare Satrumjaya-māhātmya XIV. 35 i tādrisānām hi sadbhākit-vally=soam patlavaty=api). In the first Phda I take vrishabhāsitō=si to be equivalent to both Vrishabha, āsitō=si and vrishabhāsitō=si, so that the Phda would mean both 'O Vrishabha (Rishabha)! having chosen this mountain for your residence, you are seated (here),' and 'you (O Siva!), who have taken the name Achala, are seated on a bull.' I am aware that Rishabha has a bull for his engrisance, and that in representations of him this animal is figured beneath him; but I am not sure that he could be described as 'seated on a bull.'— In the second Phda ganādhipati denotes both Pudarika, the leader of Rishabha's gana, and Ganêsa.
 - 8 Metre of verses 2 and 3: Upajāti.
- Read sapattrair=.— The word phala means both 'fruit' and 'the blade (of a sword),' etc.; pattra 'leaves' and 'vehicles,' etc.; and edhint 'rivers' and 'armies'.
- ¹⁰ Read Vasishtha"; the same wrong reading we have below, in line 9.— With anala-kunda compare agni-kunda in Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 234, v. 5.
- 11 The akshara shi is a mistake for rthi, and should be struck out because rthi has been repeated at the commencement of line 3.
 - 12 Read -kritarthah.
- 18 Metre: Upêndravajrâ.
- 14 Read -astt=.
- 15 Wrong for vidadhe, which would not have suited the metre.
- 16 Metre : Arya. 17 Metre : Upajāti.

- 5 Bhôjanripam prapêdê || 6 ¹Prâgvâṭavamś-âbharaṇam babhûva ratnam pradhânam Thi(vi)mal-âbhidhânah | yas≈têjasâ ²dusamay-âdhakâra-magnê-pi dharmmah sahas-âvir-âsîta³ || 7 ⁴Tava(ta)ś-cha Bhîmêna narâdhipêna sa pratâpa-bhûrmi(mi)r-Vima-
- 6 16 mahâmatiḥ | kva(kṛi)tô=[r*]budê damḍapatiḥ satām priyaḥ priyamvadā namdatu Jaina-sāsanā || 8 Asôkapat[t*]rāruṇa-pāṇipallavā samullasatkēsaṇa-sām(sim)ha-vāhanā [[*] sisudvayālamkṛita-vigrahā satāb satām kri-
- 7 yâd-vighna-vinâsam-Aiibikâ || 9 Ath-ânyadâ tain nisi daiidanâyakam samâdidêsa prayatê kil-ânibikâ [|*] ih-âchi(cha)lô tvain kuru sadma sumdaram Yugâdibharttur-nirapâya-sainśrayaḥ || 10 ⁶Śrî-Vikramâdityanṛipâd-vya-
- 8 tité sahţäsiti-yātê śaradām sahaśrê(srê) i śrî-Âdi[nā]tha[m]? śikharê=rbudasya nivêsifsi)tam śrî-[V]imalêna vamdê || 11 "Vighnâdhivyâdhi-hamtrî yâ mât êva praṇat-âmgishu | Śrîpumjarāja-tanayâ Śrîmâtâ bhavatâm² śri-
- 9 yê || 12 ¹⁰Achalêsa ¹¹Visishţânalataţinî-Mamdâkinîvimalasalila- | puṇyâni yasya śri[ri]nê¹² jayamvi(ti) vividhâni tîrthâni || 13 Atha râjâvalî || ¹³Vairivarggadalanê gata-tandras Châhuvâmakulakairava-chamdraḥ¹⁴ | yê Nadûla-na-
- 10 garasya narésa **Âsarája** iti víravarð sbhút || 14 ¹⁵Prabalavairidavánalaváridaḥ Samarasi[m*]ha iti prathitas=tataḥ | **Mahaṇasimhabhaṭaḥ** subhatâgraṇiḥ prithu-yasā ajanishṭa tad-angajaḥ || 15 ¹⁶Pratāpamallas=tad-anu pratá-
- babhûva bhûpâla-sadassu mânyab [|*] vîr-Avatamsô = jani17 11 pi Vîjadô=818 Marusthalimamdala-bhûmibharttâ | 16 $\hat{\Lambda}$ san¹⁸ trayas=tat-tanayâ nay-âdbyi mûrttâh pum-arthâ iva bhagabhô(bha)jab 1 âdyô dharitrîpati-rakshapâlab khyatah kshito(tau) Lûniga-
- 12 nâmadhêyah || 17 ¹⁹Nyâyamârgga-śikharî madhumâsah²⁰ kâlavaksha(t-ka)valayananri-vrajam | maindalîka-paha(da)vîm=apâlahâ(ya)l=Luṁḍha ity=abhidhayâ dhiyâm nidhih || 18 ²¹Vipakshanârî-nayanâmbupûrais chakâra yah kîrtti-
 - ' Metre : Indravajrā.

2 Read dussamay (or duhshamay) - amdhakara-.

4 Read -dsit.

- * Metre of verses 8-10: Vamsastha.
- ⁵ Here a sign of punctuation was originally engraved.— Ambikâ is similarly described in the inscription of the Vakrama year 1201, mentioned above, p. 151 f., in a verse the correct reading of which I take to be: Fikale-kutiladainshtra-bhishanisyam tatha cha dhutasahalasatált-bhásuram tungam-uchchaih I nahati sutam-udaria yeanka-sainsthain sad-aira mrigapatim-adhirádhá s=Ambiká vó-stu tushtyai n. Compare the representation of Kushmandini in Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXII. p. 463, Plate iv.
 - " Metre: Upajati.
- 7 It is difficult to say whether we should read Adinatham or Adidevam. The akshara which follows upon of to originally was de, but seems to have been altered; and the next akshara looks more like that than ra, but a might be said that the has been wrongly engraved instead of v also in Thimala for Vimala, in line 5. On the wheat think that the reading Adinatham is preferable.
 - Metre: Ślóka (Amshrubh).
- ⁹ The sign for \dot{a} in this word is clearly struck out in the original, and it seems probable that the engage extended to alter bhavatain to bhavatu.— In the above I have purposely given Srimata, not sri-Mata, because a other inscriptions sri appears clearly to be part of the name, not an honorific prefix. I may mention that a No. 1774 of Mr. Cousens' List we have Srimataderi as one word, not Srimatrideri, and that in the account given fittes mythical being and her father in Mercaniga's Prabandhachintainani, p. 282 ff., the base of the word is bit Srimatri and Srimatri. In the same account the father's name is Sripanja.
 - 10 Metre: AryA.

- 11 Read Vasishtha"; compare above, line 2.
- ¹² Read Gringe, "Since at the commencement of the verse the mountain is addressed in the vocative case one would have expected tara śringe, but this would not have suited the metre.
 - 12 Metre : Svågatå.
 - " Chahurama- probably is a mistake for either Chahurana- or Chahurana-.
 - ¹⁵ Metre: Drutavilambita.

- 16 Metre Vpajáti.
- After the 6 of claims6 another vertical stroke was originally engraved, but has been struck out.
- 1º Metre: Indravajra. Read Asams-trayas -. 19 Metre: Ratholdhata.
- " Read, probably, madhusravah.
- 21 Metre : Upajāti.

- 13 latâm sapat[t*]râm | babhûva bhûmîpati-labdhamânô Lumbh-âbhidhânô jagad-êkavîrah || 19 'Sainhritya satrûn prabalanu² balêna srî-A[r]budam prâpya nagâdhirâjain | a[bh]uktvâ sa [bh]ûma[in*]dana-râ[jyan=uchchaiḥ] | svarlô-
- 14 ka-lôkâdhipatir-babhûva || 20 ⁵Lûnigasya tanujô jaga[j-ja]yî Têjasimha iti têjasîm nidhih | yat-pratâpadavapâvakaś-chiram vairivargga-vipadam nahatisma⁶ || 21 ⁷Karâgra[jâ]gra[t-*]karavâ-
- 5 ladamda-khamdikrit-âścshavirôdhivarggah | prithyâm⁸ prasiddhas Tihunaka-nâmâ vîr-âvatamsah sa chirâyur-astu || 21 (22) ⁹Srimal-Lumbhaka-nâmâ sama[nv]itas= Tējasimha-Tīgu(hu)nābhyām | A[r*]buda[g]iriśa-
- 16 râjyam nyâyani{dhi ?]¹⁰ [|| 23*] . . . ¹¹urapura-vâsî suguru-śrî-Dharmmasûri-padabhaktah [|*] Sarbajñanâsêna-ratah¹² sa jayati Jelh-âbhidhah śrêshtậ(shthî) || 24 Tat-tanayah su-nayô-bhût¹³ Vé-
- 17 [lha]kah sakala-bhûta¹⁴ . . . [1] tat-putrah su-charitra[h] puŋya-nidhih Parasah sâdbuh || 25 Sôhì-Dögâ-Désala-Kuladhara-nâmnâ tad-aṅgajā jātāh | chatyārah kulamaṅdira-sudṛiḍhastaṁbh-âbbirāmā [yê ||]
- |s 26 ½Šrî-Dêsalaḥ sukri[tapêsa]la-vittakô[ţîś ³6chainchn]chchaturdaśnjagaj-janitâ-vad[âta]h¹7 | Śatruinjayapramukha-viśrutasaptatî[rtha]-¹8yâtrūś=chaţtu]rdaśa chakāra mahâmahêna || 27 ³9Dê[ma]ti-Mâî-
- 10 uâmnî sâdhu-śrî-Dôsalasya bhâryê dvê | nirmalaŝilagun-â[dhy]ê dayâ-ksha[mê] Juina-dharmasya || 28 Dômatikukshi-prabhavà Gôsa[la]-Gayapála-Bhî[ma]-nâmânah | Mâî-kukshêr-jâtau Môha-
- 20 na-Môh-âbhidhau putrau || 29 Jinasâsanakamala-raviḥ sâdhuḥ śrî-Gôsalō-vi[dat]²⁰ kîrttim | guṇaratnarôhaṇadharâ²¹ Guṇadêvî priyatamâ tasya || 30 ²³Saddharmmakarmm-aikaniba-
- 21 ddhabuddhis='3tad-angajah śrî-**Dhanasimh**n-sâdhuh | bhâryâ tadîyâ sadayâ vadājñâ(nyâ) mânyâ satâm Dhândhaladêvi-samjñâ || 31 24 Sâdhō[r*]=**Bhîmasya** sutô Hâmsaladêkukshi-sambhaba(va)h śrimân | ma- 95
- 22 himâ-nidhir=mahanjâ mahâmatir-Mahaṇastinh-âkhyu[h] || 32 26 Mayaṇalladêvî-varakukshisukti-muktâs-trayas=tat-tanayâ jayaniti | jéshțâ 27 jagadvyâpi-vaŝahprakâŝah sâdhv-agraṇî[r *]=Lâliga-
 - Metre: Indravajra. 2 Read prabaliin.
- * Up to the end of the line the aksharas in brackets are more or less conjectural; they are carelessly written a the original. For bhilmanidana-read bhilmanidala-.
 - * This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

 Metre: Rathô ldhatâ.
- ⁶ The four akaharas nahatisma are quite clear in the original, but offend against the metre and yield no proper meaning. The only alteration which I could suggest would be dahatriha.
 - 7 Metre : Upajāti.

- ⁸ Read prithryám.
- ⁹ Metre of verses 23-26; Arya. ¹⁰ Here about 10 aksharas are effaced.
- ¹¹ In No. 1791 of Mr. Consens' List (see above, p. 154) Jelháka is describe las an inhabitant of Mandavyapura.
- 12 Read Sarvajnakhsana-ratah. 13 Read obhild=. 14 Here about 1 aksharas are effacel.
- ¹⁵ Metre: Vasantatilakā. ¹⁶ Read ^apēsala-viltākštišs. ¹⁷ Read, perhaps, ^adaināh.
- 15 Originally other the, with a sign of punctuation after it, was engraved.
- Wetre of verses 28-30 : Arya.
- ²⁰ The reading is conjectural. The original has ri [t?] de kirtlim.
- Ompare gunaratnarihanagiri in my Report on the search for Sanskrit MSS., Bombay, 1881, p. 43, line 1
- 22 Metre : Upajâti.
- 38 After the akshara ddhi a sign of punctuation was originally engraved, but has been struck out.
- 24 Metre : Arya.
- There originally me was engraved, but the sign for escens to have been struck out; the two aksharas kin at the commencement of the next line are quite clear. The author has used the ferminine makined instead of the masculine makined instead of the masculine makined.
- ²⁶ Metre: Indravajra.— The two aksharas maya at the commencement of the verse were apparently read as an syllable (mai).
 - 27 Read jyeshtho.

- guna-salinan [|*] lÂśvinêv&[v]=iva śrôshth[au] kanishthau sadhurajah | 33 dharmmadhyana-pravanamanasau || 34 Shat Si ha-Lôp-abhidhau2 sutà Dhanasimhasya mûrttâ
- visvavisv-ôpakârây=åvatîrupâ[h] pritha(thi)vî-talê || 35 shad arttavah 24 vimalama(ta)ra-yasahprasarah 1 +Têshâm=âdyab sådhu[r*]=Vijada iti sagarah Shimadharah sajna(jja)na-
- 5Rajasamâja-śrêshtbô vikhyåtô(tah) Samarasi[m]hah || 36 sâdhu-Vîradhaval-âkhyah | (|.) Vijapalah [|*] nipuna-matir-Narapalah sukrita-rato 6S vapitri-śrôvasô
- Rishabha-maindirê + kârayâm-âsatur=Llalla-Vîjadau jîrnuoddhâram? Budhu-⁸Vådichamdra-Gunachamdra-vijôtå bhûpatitraya-vibódhasattamô(mau) (||) 38 vidhátá 1 Dharmmasari-
- pur=asita9 27 raiti nâma višvavišva-viditô muni-raja[b*] | (11)10 M Glapatta kramê Dharmaghôsha-gaṇâryamâ 11 []*] habhûvuh sama-sampûrupah Amaraprabhasûrayah ||
- ¹³Tatpatta-bhûshayam=adûshayadharmasîla-¹⁴sidya(ddhâm)tasimdhuparisîlana-Vishuylilab 1 chi-Jhanachamdra iti namdatu sûri-rajah punyopadêsavidhi-bodhitasa-
- ts mûjah + (||) 41 15 Vasu-muni-tu(gu)ņa-šasi(ši)-varsha | Jeshtel¹⁶ sitinara(va)mi-29Sôma-yuta-divasê | śrî-Jñânachaindra-gurunâ pra[ti]shti(shthi)tô=[rbu]da-gi[rav Ri|sha|bhah|17 || 42
- 30 1379 Jesta-sudi¹⁸ 9 Sômē II

POSTSCRIPT.

On the Chahamanas of Naddula.

As I have referred in the preceding to the Genealogical Table of the Chahamanas of Naddula published above, p. 83, I take the opportunity to state that Mr. Gaurishankar Himchand Ojha has recently sent me rubbings of four inscriptions, two of which furnish a date in the [Vikrama] year 1147 for the chief Jojalla (Yojaka), here called Jojala, while the two others are of the reign of Rayapala of Naddula, whose name does not occur in the Table, and for whom they furnish dates in the [Vikrama] years 1198 and 1200. The rubbings do not enable me to edit the full texts of these inscriptions, but the initial lines, which contain the dates and the names of the chiefs, may be given with conidence.

- 1 .-- This inscription is at Sadri (about 13 miles south of Nadol) in the Godwar district of the Jodhpur State. It contains 11 lines of writing and commences :-
 - L. 1 Om¹⁹ samvat 1147 Vaifākha-šudi 2 Budha-vāsarê mahâ
 - raja-śrî-Jôjaladevona śrî-Lakshmanasvami-prabhriti-
 - 3 samastadêvânâm yatrakala-vyavaharô lêkhitah [[

- Wrong for shad-ritavah, which would not have suited the metre.
- 4 Metre: Arya.
- Mesre: Upagîti.

Metre : Sloka (Anushtubha

- 7 Read "ram=Rishabha.
 - " Metre : Svagata.

Read -dald .. 12 Read -samparand.

15 Metre : Âryå.

- 10 Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh).
- 11 Re d -yandryamnah.
- 18 Metre: Vasantatilaka.— With the commencement of the verse compare e.g. Prof. Peterson's Fifth Report p. 207, v. 5 : tatpatta-bhushanam : nir-gata-dushano bhut.
 - " Probably the intended reading was "it/ah.
 - 18 Read -rarshê Jydshthê (or Jyaishthê).
 - 17 Read -girder Rishabhah.
 - " Read Jyeshtha (or Jyaishtha)- sudi; and see above, p. 155.
 - 19 Denoted by a symbol,

¹ Metre of verses 34 and 35 : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

² I am doubtful about the correctness of the two names; the four aksharas at the beginning of the Pada might be read also sibálápá.

- 2.—This inscription is at Nadol. It contains 13 lines of writing and commences:—
- L. 1 Oml samvat 1147 Vaisakha-sudi 2 Vu(bu)dha-vasa-
 - 2 rê mahârâjâdhirâja-ŝrî-Jôjaladêvah sama-
 - 3 sta-dôvânâm śrî-Lakshmanasvâmi-prabhritînâm yâtrâ-vya-
 - 4 vahârain lêkhayati yathâ []

The date of these two inscriptions regularly corresponds, for the expired Kirtlikidi Vikrama year 1147, to Wodnesday, the 23rd April A.D. 1091, when the 2nd tithi of the bright half ended 16 h. 26 m. after mean sunrise.

- 3.— This also is at Nadol. It contains 39 lines of writing and commences:—
- L. l Oml samvat 1198 Śrávana-vadi 8 Ravav-ady-cha [ma]-
 - 2 haraja[dhiraja]-śrî-Rayapaladevah² kalyana-vija[ya]-
 - 3 râjyê êvan kâlê pravarttamânê

The date corresponds either, for the parnimanta Śrâvana of the expired Chaitrádi Vikrama year 1198, to Sunday, the 29th June A.D. 1141, when the 8th tithi of the dark half ended 3 h. 11 m. after mean sunrise; or, for the amanta Śrâvana of the expired Kārttikādi Vikrama year 1198, to Sunday, the 16th August A.D. 1142, when the 8th tithi of the dark half ended 11 h. 20 m. after mean sunrise. As the date of the following inscription is correct only for amanta month, I here, too, take Sunday, the 18th August A.D. 1142, to be the true equivalent of the date.

- 4.—This also is at Nadol. It contains 8 lines of writing and commences:—
- L. 1 Omi | Samvat 1200 Bhadrapada-vadi 8 Budha-varê ady-êha śri-
 - 2 Na[dû ?]1ê samastarâjâvalîsamalamkrita-pûjya-mahârâjâdhi-
 - 3 râja-paramêgyara-śrî-Rayapâladeva-vijayarâjyê ê-
 - 4 vam kálá pravarttamáná.

The date, for the aminta Bhadrapada of the expired Kârttikâdi Vikrama year 1200, corresponds to Wednesday, the 23rd August A.D. 1144, when the 8th tithi of the dark half ended 16 h. 52 m. after mean sunrise.

In the Table Râyapâla (A.D. 1142 and 1144) would have to be placed between Jôjalla (A.D. 1091) and Âlhaṇa (A.D. 1153-1161), and it is probable that he was the immediate predecessor of the latter; but how he was related to either of them it is impossible to say at present.

I may add that Mr. Ojha has also been good enough to send me some notes on the identification of Kāsahrada and Naddūlā1, spoken of by me above, pp. 73 and 67. On the former, which I suspected to be somewhere near Nadol, he writes:—

"I would identify Kāsahrada with Kāyadrām (also called Kāsadrām) at the foot of Mount Âbû, about 3 miles from the Bhimānā station of the R. M. Railway. It is a place of considerable antiquity with several old temples. An inscription of the time of the Paramāra prince Dhārāvarsha was discovered there by me some years ago."

And respecting Naddûlâ1, which I had taken to be a different place from Naddûla, he ays:—.

"As you think, it is quite different from Naddûla. It is now called Naralai, and is situaed in the Godwar district of the Jodhpur State. An inscription from the place is published in Shirnagar Inser. p. 140 (where the date given is incorrect³)."

¹ Denoted by a symbol. 2 Read odeva-kalydna.

³ See my Northern List, No. 306.— On the map of the Rajputana Agency 'Narlai' is seven miles south-east f 'Nadol.'

No. 19.- INSCRIPTIONS FROM THE BASTAR STATE.

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Mr. Cousens in the Annual Report of the Archwological Survey of India, 1903-04 (p. 54) opens his report on the conservation of antiquarian remains in the Central Provinces with the remarks that 'the Central Provinces and Berâr cannot be said to be rich in antiquarian remains,' but 'possibly there exists many an old relic of considerable interest lying hidden away in some of the extensive jungles and little known tracts in the province, that has not come under the notice of any one capable of estimating its value.' Exactly from such a place do I draw the materials for the subject I propose to notice on.

Bastar is a feudatory state in the extreme south of the province situated between 17° 46′ and 20° 14′ north latitude and 80° 15′ and 82° 15′ east longitude, touching the Gôdâvarî and comprising an area of 13,000 square miles, all covered with dense forests and populated by the wildest tribes, some of whom did not till very recently know the use of clothes. This extensive jungle has been made to yield no less than 22 inscriptions ¹ through the stremuous efforts of my friend Mr. Baijnath, B.A., Superintendent of the Bastar State. Three of those inscriptions were noticed by Colonel Glasfurd, Deputy Commissioner of the then Upper Gôdâvarî District, about the year 1862 A.D.² So far as is known, only one of them has been published, viz., the so-called Nagpur Museum inscription of Sômêšvara.³ On the authority of the information supplied by the Curator of the Nagpur Museum it is there stated that the stone was brought from a village Kowtah, near Sironcha, which is incorrect as will presently be shown. It belonged to Bârsûr, of the Bastar State, and is an important record of the predecessors of the present line of Râjas.

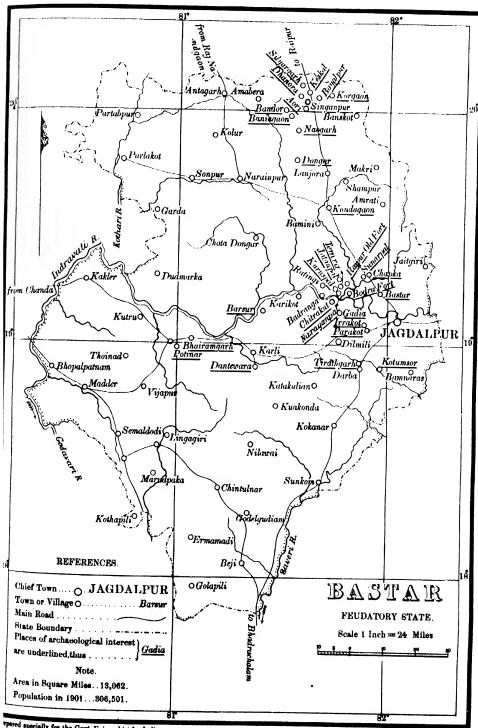
In order that the references to places in the Bastar inscriptions may be easily understeed, I append a map of the State showing their positions as also some other places possessing archaelogical remains. As most of the latter have never been noticed before, a brief mention of at least some of the important ones may not be out of place here. These places are Bârsûr. Dantêwârâ, Gadia, Bhairamgarh, Narâyanpâl, Sunârpâl, Kuruspâl, Tirathgarh, Potinâr, Chapkâ and Dôngar.

Bârsûr is a place of very great interest. It is 55 miles west of Jagdalpur, the present capital of Bastar. It contains ruins of many temples, the most important of which is a Siva temple with two sanctuaries having a common mandapa supported on 32 pillars in four rows. In each of the sanctuaries there is a linga and a Nandi, and old people remember that an inscription was removed from this place about half a century ago. Another Siva temple has a mandapa with 12 pillars in three rows, and the third is called Mānā bhānjā-kā mandir and is distinguished by carvings on the inside walls in the shape of bells suspended from chains. Outside the Gaņēsa temple there is a huge tigure of Gaṇēsa, 17' in circumference and about 7' or 8' high. Numerous images are lying about or cellected together under huts, of which the most noticeable is one of Vishņu, 4' high, and showing good workmanship. There are also some images of Mahishāsuramardini, one of which is inscribed. All the temples are of medieval Brāhmaņie style, most of them built of stone without time.—Dantēwārā is about 20 miles south of Bārsûr, and in the intervening villages there are sculptured stones lying about, some of them being five-hooded cobras or interceiled snakes. Dantēwārā contains the shrine of Dantēsvarī, the tutelary goddess of the present raling family. The temple is built at the junction of two rivers

¹ Since I wrote this Mr. Baijnath has made further discoveries which will be described in another paper.

² See Selections from the Records of the Government of India in the Foreign Department, No. XXXIXp. 32 et sqq.

^{*} Abeve, Vol. III. p. 314



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called Sankhini and Dankini, and is notorious as a place where human sacrifices were formerly annually offered. At least a place was pointed out to me in the innermost sanctum, close to the goddess, where they said the victims used to be decapitated. The goddess has eight arms and is represented in the act of killing the buffalo demon. She is in reality Mahishasuramardini, locally known as Dantésvari. There are various other images such as those of Vishnu, Karttikêya, Ganêsa, etc., some of which were brought away from the ruins of Barsar. There are five inscriptions here, three inside the Dantêśvarî temple, one just outside it, and another near a mud hut called Bhairamgudi. There are remains of several other temples buried in ruins. support of the Dantésvari temple, an estate consisting of several villages is attached.—Bhairamgarh is about 70 miles west of Jagdalpur and has three or four temples, together with remains of a fort and a ditch and several tanks. There is an inscription on a pillar, and at Potinar, a village near Bhairamgarh, there is a slab! inscribed on four sides.— Gadia is 20 miles west of Jagdalpur and has a stone temple with no idol, but built in the same style as those of Barsûr. About 400 yards away there is a big inscription, and a lingu was found buried in a brick mound.— Narayanpal and Kuruspal are quite close to each other, the former being situated on the river Indravatî. Near these villages are the forts of Rajapur and Bodra, and not far away the beautiful falls of the Indravati at Chitrakût present a magnificent appearance.— Narâyanpâl is only 6 miles from Gadia and has an old temple, an image of Vishnu, and an inscription.— Sunarpal and Chapka are within 12 miles from Narayanpal. Chapka has a number of sati pillars, several of which are inscribed.— Tirathgarh also contains some temples and relies.— Dôngar is a place where according to custom the present Râjas go to be crowned. Here one of the queens, whose finger was chopped off by royal order and who ventured to inform her father, writing the letter with the blood so wantonly spilt, was buried alive. The pit, which is still pointed out, was once disturbed by a greedy Râja of the same family, who also brought down the temple of Narâyanpâl and some others in search of supposed buried treasuro.

I now proceed to give a short notice of each inscription of which I possess impressions, with very brief remarks where necessary, reserving a fuller account for other papers. The Bastar inscriptions may be roughly divided into three classes, viz., those of the (1) Någavanisi kings, (2) the Kåkatîyas, and (3) miscellaneous. Of 22 yet discovered, ten belong to the 1st class, five to the 2nd, and the rest to the 3rd.

THE NÂGAVAMSÎ INSCRIPTIONS.

I.—Narâyanpâl Stone inscription of Queen Guṇḍa-mahâdêvî, the mother of Sôméávaradéva.

Narâyanpâl is a village 23 miles west of Jagdalpur. The inscription is on a stone slab and is in Nâgarî characters, and the language is Sanskrit. It records the grant of the village Narâyanapura to the god Narâyana and some land near the Khajjuri tank to the god Lôkêśvara, and it is dated in the Saka year 1033 on Wednesday, the full moon-day of the Kârttika month in the Khara samvatsara (Śaka-nripa-kdldtitê daśa-śata-traya[s*]-trinś-ddhikê Khara-samvatsarê Kârtika-paurnimāsyām Budhavārê) corresponding to 18th October 1111 A.D., and issued by Gunda-mahâdêvî, the chief queen of Mahârâja Dharâvarsha, the mother of Sômôśvaradêva and the grandmother of Kanharadêva, who was then ruling on the death of his father (Mahârâja-Sômôśvara-dôvasya śvar(svar)gatê têshâm putrasya dsâm naptuh . . . śrimad-vîra-Kanharadêvasya kalyâna-vijaya-râjyê). The dynasty claims to belong to the Nâgavainŝa and the Kâšyapa gôtra, to have a tiger with a calf as their crest and to be the lords of Bhôgâvatî the best of the cities (Nâgavamtôdbhava Bhôgâvatî-pura-var-ĉŝvara savatsa-vyâghra-lâmchhana Káš(s)yapa-gôtra). At the end of the inscription the sun and moon, a cow and a calf, and a

¹ This has now been removed to a roadside place called Jungla, six miles north of Potinar, for easy access.

dagger and shield with a linga in its socket, exactly of the shape in which the Lingayats wear them, are engraved. There is a postscript to this inscription in which it is stated that the land was given by Dharana-mahadevi, who was probably the widow of Sômôsvara, as will appear further on. There can be no doubt that Narâyanpâl is the Nârâyanapura of the inscription. A temple of Nârâyana is still standing there. The image of Vishau, about 2' high, canopied by a hooded snake, is exquisitely executed.

II.—Barsûr inscription of Ganga-mahadêvî, wife of Sômêsvaradêva.

This inscription is now in the Någpur Museum, and, as stated above, it has already been published.\(^1\) It is a slab 9' 2" long, 14" broad and $3\frac{1}{4}$ " thick, broken into two pieces, the bigger one measuring $6\frac{1}{4}$ ' and the smaller one 2' 11". It is inscribed on three sides. The inscribed portion of each flat side is about $4\frac{1}{2}$ ', thus leaving half of the pillar buried underground. As the whole of the inscription could not be completed within the allotted space, the remaining portion has been inscribed on the third side, on which the writing runs to the length of 31' The stone is stated to have been brought from Kowtah near Sironcha, but the Tahsildar of Sironcha informs me that it was never sent from that place.\(^2\)

The stone is indisputably from Bårsûr. Happily Col. Glasfurd has given a facsimile in his report on the Dependency of Bastar. Speaking of the Bårsûr temples he says 3:—"In front of this temple I found a slab with an ancient Sanskrit and Telugu inscription on both sides; part of it had been broken off and was nowhere to be found. After offering a reward and causing search to be made I had the satisfaction of obtaining it. As the Telugu is of an antiquated character, I regret to say I have not succeeded in obtaining an accurate translation of the inscription. A facsimile is appended. From what I can ascertain it would appear that the temple of Mahâlêva where the slab was found was built by a Râjâ Sômêśvaradêva, a Någavamsî Kshatriya, in the year 1130."

The inscription is in the Telugu character, and the language is also Telugu prose, the birudivali or titles of the king being in Sanskrit and corresponding with those in the Narayanpål Sanskrit inscription. It records that Ganga-mahadevi, the chief queen of Somesvaradevs gave a village named Kêramaruka or Kêramarka to two temples of Siva (both of which she had built) on Sunday, the 12th tithi of the bright fortnight of Phalguna in the Saks year 1130. The two temples referred to here still exist, having one common mandapa, and from local enquiry it appears that it was from this place that Col. Glasfurd removed the slab. Although the names of the temples Virasômésvara and Gangadharésvara given after the royal couple as recorded in the grant, are forgotten, a tank still remains which is called Gangasagar and retains the memory of the charitable queen Ganga-mahadevi. If the Somésvara of this inscription is identical with that of Narsyanpal, there has apparently been a mistake in engraving the date which should be 1030 and not 1130, and that is perhaps the reason why the week day does not correspond with the tithi given there, viz., the 12th of the bright fortnight of Phâlguna, on a Sunday. According to Mr. Dîkshit's calculations, Phâlguna $m \hat{S}ukla$ 12 of $m \hat{S}aka$ -Samvat 1130 ended on Wednesday. So it was concluded that the year meant was Saka 1131 expired, in which year the tithi given in the inscription fell on a Sunday. But on calculating the week day for the same tithi in Saka 1030 expired I find that

¹ Above, Vol. III. p. 314.

² A similar error seems to have been committed in relegating the Buddhist stone inscription of Bhavadéra (republished in J. R. A. S. 1905, p. 617, by Dr. Kielhorn) to Rater pur, whereas from my enquiry in situ I found that the inscription was really brought from Bhandaka, and this is confirmed by General Cunningham, Reports, Vol. IX, p. 127.

EReport on the Dependency of Bastar, 1862, p. 62.

it also fell on Sunday. In the Narâyanpâl inscription it is stated that the grant of Nârâyapapura was made in Saka 1033, in the reign of Kanharadêva, who had succeeded his father Sômêśvaradêva on his death. And as there is nothing to show at present that there were two Sômêśvaras, the date 1030 fits in very well. It, however, seems somewhat extraordinary that such a palpable mistake should have been allowed to remain when it could be corrected by joiting together with a curved line the two ends of the Telugu 1 which is like an egg half-cut (at least it is so in the inscription) thus transforming easily the second 1 of 1130 into a zero. I am very reluctant to suppose that the engraver committed a mistake, but that he did is patent enough in this case whether we read 1030 or 1130. The village Kêramaguka may be identified with Kôdmalnâr, which is situated quite close to Bârsûr and is said to have been mu'afi or exempt from the payment of taxes for a long time.

III.—Kuruspâl inscription of Dhâraṇa-mahâdêvî, second quoen(?) of Sômêśvara.

Kuruspāl is a village about a mile off from Narāyanpāl. The inscription was found built upside down into the steps of a small tank, which shows that it did not belong to the tank itself, but was brought away from some ruins, possibly the temple built in the centre of the tank, and was utilised without regard to what was engraved on it. It is in the Nāgarî character, the language being Sanskrit with very bad spellings. The object of the inscription is to record a grant of land situated near Kalamba by Dhāraṇa-mahādēvī, who seems to have been the second queen of Sômēśvaradēva. The inscription belongs to the victorious reign of Mahārājādhirāja Sômēśvaradēva (Mahārājādhirāja-Śri-Sômēśvaradēva-pādānu kalyāna-vijaya-rājyē irimat-sā(mach-chhā)sana-mahādēvi dvitiya Dhāraṇa-mahādēvi tay=āchamya Kalammva-tamipasthā bhāmī dattan(d)). The same long birudas as in the Narāyanpāl and Bārsūr inscriptions are attached to Sômēśvaradēva's name. The inscription also mentions the name of Nārāyanpapura. It is dated in the Saumya samvatsara.

IV.—Sunárpál stone inscription of Mahádévi, queen of Jayasimhadéva.

Sunårpål is about 10 miles from Naråyanpål. The stone is partially broken, and a part of the inscription is gone. It is undated. It records the grant of land, or, more properly, an imprecation against the resumption of granted land, and gives the names of witnesses before whom the gift was made, but it is not stated where. The gift was apparently made by Mahâdêvî, the chief queen of Jayasimhadêva of the Någa race, the supreme lord of Bhôgavatî, having the tiger with a calf as his crest. He is called Råjådhiråja Mahâråja Śrî Jayasimhadêva.

V.—The Dantésvari gudi inscription³ of Narasimhadêva.

This is another stone inscription in Telngu character found in the temple of the goddess Dantêśvarî at Dantêwârâ. It is dated in the dark fortnight of the month Jyêshtha in the ŝaka year 1140 (expired). In this year there was an eclipse of the sun, and the month of Jyêshtha was intercalary. At that time Muhârâju Narasimhadêva, the ornament of the race of the best of serpents, was ruling (Śri-bhujaga-vara-bhûshana-Mahârâjul=aina Śriman-Nara-mahâdêva-Mahârâjula râjyamu). The inscription is only a fragment.

¹ Since I wrote the above, Prof. Kielhorn has kindly calculated the date for me and finds that Saks 1030 Philipuna Sudi 12 Sunday regularly corresponds to Sunday, 14th Feb. A.D. 1103.

² I do not think that much importance can be attached to the different birndas used in the Barsur and Narayanpal inscriptions. The Someévara of the former has the title jagadékabhéshana-mahdréja, which does not secur in the latter. But then the birndas used in the Bastar inscriptions are not always the same.

For reading this I am indebted to Mr. Sitaramayya, one of the Superintendents in the Comptroller's office, lentral Provinces.

Of the romaining five Nagavamsi inscriptions it has not yet been possible to obtain good impressions. They are all in Telugu. The Potinar slab seems to refer to Narasimhadeva and the Dantêwârâ stone lying outside the Dantêsvarî temple to Jayasimhadêva. The Bhairamgarh inscription contains birudus similar to those found in the Bârsûr one, and the king is stated in both to be the worshipper of Manikyadêvî (Śri-Manikyadêvi-divya-śrîpada-padm-aradhaka), which is an older name of Dantôsvarî, so named by the successors of the Nagavamsîs, the Kâkatîyas, although the latter claim that Dantêśvarî came with them from Warangal, where she was called Manikyesvari.1 This inscription is incomplete and it appears that it was never completed. The Bhairamgudi inscription at Dantewara appears to be the oldest of all, as its date appears to be Saka 984.2 The Gadia inscription, apparently of Somésvaradêva's time, contains the usual figures of the cow and calf, Sun and Moon, Siva, etc., the peculiar signs of the Nagavanisi kings, although they do not seem to refer to their family crests. They are all picture imprecations. The sun and moon represent that the grant is to last as long as these luminaries endure. Siva is the protector against violation of the grant on the spiritual side, and the dagger and shield of the king on the temporal. The cow and calf depict the grave sin which the transgresser would commit, exactly equal to taking away the cow from the calf. This interpretation is supported by the fact that the Kuruspâl inscription has a representation of an ass associating with a pig, the imprecation being explained in the text thus, $J\hat{\sigma}$ (yô) any athis karáli tasya pitá gardabhah sûkarî mátá (he who acts otherwise has for his father an ass and for his mother a pig.)

From these inscriptions it would appear that Bastar, which has been held to have always been the home of wild animals, with almost wilder tribes, was once ruled by a people whose civilization is sufficiently evidenced by the remains of temples, some of which are of great architectural beauty. These inscriptions carry the history of Bastar back to the eleventh century A.D., when at least the central portion of the State was ruled by the Nâgavamisî kings. They apparently belonged to the Sinda family of Yelburga, whose titles are strikingly identical with those of the Bastar Nâgavamisî kings. Dr. Floot states 3 that there appear to have been more branches than one of this family. One of these was that of Bastar, which has been hitherto unknown. These inscriptions disclose the names of five or six different kings, viz., Dhârâvarsha, his ser Sôméśvaradôva, and his grandson Kanharadôva, Jayasimhadôva, Narasimhadôva, and a possible Sôméśvara II. In view of the fact that half the inscriptions relating to those kings have not yet been deciphered owing to their incompleteness or want of proper impressions. I reserve a fuller discussion of the history of these kings for another occasion.

II.—THE KÅKATÎYA INSCRIPTIONS.

All these are modern ones, the oldest being those of the Dantêsvarî temple at Dantêwsis written by the rijaguru of the present family, who was a Maithila Pandit. One of these is in Sanskrit and the other is a Maithili rendering of the same with some additions. Col. Glasfurd has given a very defective transcript of both in his report. They are dated in the Vikrams Samvat 1760, or 1703 A.D. on the 3rd day of Baisakh, dark fortnight. They record the pilgrimage of Râja Dikpâladêva to the Dantêsvarî shrine when 'so many thousands of buffalces and goats were sacrificed that the waters of the Sankhinî river became red like kusuma flowers and remained so for five days.' The Kâkatîyas are stated to be Sômavamŝîs,4 born of the

¹ Elliot's Report on the Bastar and Kharonde Dependencies, 1861, p. 13.

³ As read by Rai Pahadur V. Venkayya.

^{*} Gazetteer of the Bombay Presidency, Vol. I, Part II, p. 534

^{*} In the Ekâmranâtha inscription of Ganapati (Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI, p. 200) they are stated to belong to the solar race to which Sagara, Bhagiratha, Raghu and Râma belonged. This apparent contradiction is, however, capable of being explained. The Kâkatîya king Ganapati had no male issue. He had a daughter named Rudrâmba who succeeded him on the throne. Apparently she also had no male issue and had therefore to adopt her daughters.

Pandava Arjuna. The genealogy begins with Kākati Pratāparudra, who was king of Warangal. His brother Annamrāja was the first to come to Bastar, and the genealogy is continued to Dikpāladēva, nine successors being mentioned. The present Bastar family is the expresentative of the old Warangal family, who, having been defeated by Musalmāns, fled to Bastar. Combining the information hitherto available, the following list of Kākatîya kings may so made up.

1.—Predecessors of Annamdéva, from Professor Kielhorn's Southern List, above, Vol. VIII, Appendix, p. 18.

- l Durjaya.
- 2 Bôta (Betmarâja) Tribhuvanamalla, son of 1.
- 3 Prôla (Prôlêrâja, Prôdarâja) Jagatikêsarin, son of 2; mado the Western Châlukya Tailapadêva prisoner; dofeated Gôvindarâja and Gunda of Mantrakûta; conquered but reinstated Chôdôdaya; put to flight Jagaddêva.
- 4 The Mahâmaṇḍalēścara Rudradêva, son of 3; subdued Domma; conquered Mailigidêva burnt the city of Chôdôdaya. A.D. 1163 [and 1186].
- 5 Mahâdêva (Mâdhava), brother of 4.
- 6 Gaṇapati (Gaṇapa) Chhalamattigaṇḍa, son of 5; defeated the Dêvagiri Yâdava Singhaṇa, the kings of Chôla, etc. A. D. [1199-1200 to 1260-61].
- 7 the Mahâmandalachakravartin Pratâparudra of Ekasîlânagarî, i.e. Warangal. His general Muppidi entered Kâñchî and installed Mânavîra as governor. A.D. 1316.

2.—Successors of Annamdêva down to Dikpâladêva according to the Dantêwâra inscriptions.

- 1 Annamrâja, brother of Pratâparudra.
- 2 Hâmiradêva.
- 3 Bhairava (Bhai Râj) dêva.
- Purushôttamadêva.
- 5 Jayasimhadêva.
- 6 Narasimhadêva ; his queen Lachhamî-dêî dug many tanks and planted gardens.
- 7 Jagadíánrávadéva.
- 8 Vîranârâyanadêva.
- Vîrasimhadêva, married Vadanakumârî, a Chandêlla princess.
- Dikpâladêva, married Ajabakumârî, of the Chandêllas, visited the Dantêsvarî temple in Sanvat 1760, A.D. 1703.

son Prataparudra. It is possible that Prataparudra's father may have belonged to the lunar race, and, while Prataparudra became by adoption a Kakatiya of the solar face, his brother Annamdevs, the founder of the Bastar family, must have remained what his father was, that is, of the lunar race. Strictly speaking Prataparudra himself bes not seem to have a very strong claim to be a solar Kâkatiya. He was adopted by his grandmother, whereby he became a member of her (i.e. of her husband's) race, but it can be urged in his favour that he succeeded to the Kakatiya throne, and that adoption of females was valid in ancient times (see Dattakamiminsa VII § 30 -38 as quoted by Mayne, Hindu Law and Usage, sixth edition, p. 130), whereby Ganapati's daughter, whom her father had called his 'son' and had given a male name of 'Rudra' (on which account she was called Rudramba; see Ind. Ant. XXI. p. 199) became incorporated with her parental race of solar Kakatiyas. The commentator of the Prataparudriya, who was no less a personage than the great Mallinatha's son, explains the word thus: -- Kakatir nima Duryd Saktir Ekasildnagar-livardnám kuladératé sa Saktir bhajanfy-ésy-éti Kâkatlyah. It is in this sense alone that the Bastar family could be classed as Kâkatîya. This would not affect their true lineage, viz. the lunar race. All this however would apply if Annamdeva was a brother of the Prataparudra of our list I. But list II with 10 kings for a period of about 400 years postulates the existence of another Prataparudra, who probably ruled a hundred years later and 'lost his kingdom and his life in the battle with Ahmad Shah Bahmani' in 1424 A.D. This Prataparudra was also probably engrafted from another family like his predecessor, in all likelihood from the lunar race to which his brother Annamdêva as a matter of natural course continued to belong.

3.—Successors of Dikpâladêva down to the present ruling chief, according to records kept in the Râja's family.

- 1 Rajpâldêva.
- 2 Dalpatdêva.
- 3 Daryaodêva; his brother Ajmêr Singh rebelled against him in Samvat 1836, A.D. 1779.
- 4 Mahîpâladêva.
- 5 Bhûpâladêva.
- 6 Bhairamadêva.
- 7 Rudrapratâpadêva, the present chief.

The family records place another Pratāparājadêva between Narasimbadêva and Jagadîšarāyadêva, Nos. 6 and 7 of List 2. Pratāparudradêva, the brother of Annamrāja, is stated to have had three eyes; his army was composed of nine lac archers, and during his time golden rain fell. Pratāparudra 1, was a great patron of learning, and Vidyānātha wrote a work on Alahkāra, which he called after him Pratāparudrayaśôbhūshana or Pratāparudrīya.

The other three inscriptions are at Dôngar; they are written in Hindî. Two of them are dated in Samvat 1836, or A.D. 1783, and refer to a visit of Râja Daryâodêva in order to quell a local robollion. The third is dated in Samvat 1923, or A.D. 1871, and records the pattibhishêka ceremony of Bhairamadêva, the father of the present ruler.

III.—MISCELLANEOUS INSCRIPTIONS.

All these are unimportant and give no historical data. Six bolong to Chapka and are engraved on sati memorial stones and, with one exception, in Nagari characters. Most of these have the usual marks of the sun, the moon and the outstretched hand with figures of husband and wife. Some have got temples engraved, with the couple in the act of worshipping the lingal represented there. One is found at Barsar on the pedestal of a goddess and is fragmentary.

No. 20.— KANKER COPPER PLATES OF PAMPARAJADEVA

[KALACHURI] SAMVAT 965 AND 966.

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These are two copper plates which were found in an old well in the Village Tahankapar, In miles from Kanker, the capital of the state of the same name in the Chhattasgarh Division of the Central Provinces. They are now in the possession of the chief of that state and were sent to me by his Davan Pandit Durgaprasad. Ink impressions were kindly taken for me at Nagpur by Mr. T. G. Green, Superintendent of the Government Press, and they are reproduced in the accompanying plate.

There are two different records issued at an interval of a year. Both the plates are 7% long, but they differ in height and weight, one measuring 3\frac{1}{4}" and the other 3\frac{1}{4}", the bigger one

This may be true in the sense that he ruled over so big a population, who, as subjects, could at any time lecalled out for military service. In Bastar and adjoining tracts almost every man knows the use of the bow and arrow, with which they even kill tigers. The probability, however, is that 'nine lae' was a conventional term for the highest number. In the Hottür inscription (Gazettser of the lognosty Presidency, Vol. I, Part II, p. 438) the Châlukya king Satyāśraya is stated to have put to flight a Chôla ling who had collected a force numbering nine loca, indirectly insinuating that he defeated the biggest army that could be brought in the field. Similarly it has become irliomatic to speak of Bdimangarh (52 forts), 700 childs (disciples), 108 sris, etc.

² Ind. Ant. xxi. p. 198, and Duff's Chronology of India, p. 213.

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weighing 6 oz. and the smaller 6 oz. 10 drs. The former has an oblong hole at the top, measuring $\frac{1}{6}$ " \times $\frac{1}{16}$ ", apparently for stringing it with other plates. It is uniformly and sufficiently hick, and is in a good state of preservation. The smaller one is thick in the middle but very thin it the ends, so thin indeed that the commencement δm svasti has cut through the plate leaving toles in the engraved portion, and, similarly, at the diagonally opposite end, a portion is exceedingly worn out leaving irregular holes there. The corners of this plate were rounded off. It as at the ond an ornamental figure representing the moon. This was probably the family crest.

The average size of the letters in the bigger plate is $\frac{1}{10}$ and in the smaller $\frac{1}{10}$. The former appears to be a palimpsest. Both the sides contain minute scratches of letters of almost double the size, which are altogether illegible.

The characters in both the plates, which were written at an interval of a year only, are Nagari, and the language in both is corrupt Sanskrit prose. Both the plates were engraved by Sethi or Sao Késava, who apparently lived at Pâdi (town).

There is very little to note about orthographical poculiarities. The letters dha, ra, na, ksha, bha, $j\bar{n}a$, and the figures 9 and 5 appear in a somewhat antiquated form, and the usual indifference to the use of s for s is conspicuous. Spelling mistakes there are many; they have been noticed in the footnotes under the text.

The bigger plate, which is the older of the two and was issued from the Kākaira residence, is a state document conferring a village with a fixed revenue on the village priest Lakshmidharaśarman. This refers to Jaipara village, but Chikhali is also incidentally mentioned. The smaller plate records the gift of two villages, Kôgara and Andali, to the same person on the occasion of an colipse of the sun. These transactions were made by the Mahimandalika Pamparajadeva of the Sômavamsa (lunar race) in the presence of his queen Lakshmidevi, prince Vôpadeva and eight Government officials including the minister. In the village document these officials appear as witnesses. The recipient of the villages was himself one of them.

The village document is business-like and contains abbreviations which were no doubt very well understood at that time, but are now difficult to make out. It does not indulge in cencalogies. In the gift, however, we are told that Pamparajadeva meditated on the feet of Somarajadeva, who meditated on the feet of Vopadeva. I take this Vopadeva to be identical with that of the Kanker stone inscription of the Saka year 1242 (see above, page 124). I shall discuss this question in another paper on the Sihawa inscription, which also gives a genealogy of this family.

The bigger plate is dated in Samvat 965, in the Bhadrapada month, in the Mriga lunar nansion, on Monday, the 10th of the dark fortnight, and the smaller one in the févara-amvatsara, in the month of Karttíka, in the Chitra lunar mansion, on Sunday, at the solar clipse, the year being given in figures at the end as 966. It is not stated to what era these ates belong, but Professor Kielhorn, who has kindly calculated them for me, has conclusively roved that they refer to the Kalachuri era. The reader is referred to the postscript added by im at the end of my article on the Kanker stone inscription (see above, pp. 128 and ff.), where a has fully discussed the question. The English equivalents of these dates, as calculated by im, are Monday, the 12th August A.D. 1213, and Sunday, the 5th October A.D. 1214, aspectively.

The towns and villages mentioned in the plates are Kākaira, Pādi, Kôgarā, Āṇḍali, Jaiparā, Chikhali and Vaṇikôṭṭa. Kākaira is the modern Kanker, where the present chief of the state resides. It is 88 miles from Raipur, the headquarters of the Chhattîsgarh Division, in which the Kanker state is included. Kôgarā has now been corrupted into Kôngērā. There are two villages of this name in the state, and for distinction one is called Dêo Kôngêra (8 miles

south-east of Kanker), and the other Hat Kôngêrâ (6 miles north of Kanker). The former is associated with gods, and the latter with a market, which is held there. In the inscription Kogarâ is said to be close to the shrine of Prânkêsvara, which has now disappeared, but has apparently left its reminiscence in the suggestive adjunct Dio which Kôngêrâ now bears. I therefore identify our Kôgarâ with Dêo Kôngêrâ. Jaiparâ is the modern Jêprâ (Indian Atlas, quarter sheet 92, N. W., Long. 81° 31', Lat. 20° 28'), a village 15 miles north of Kanker, and Chikhali is about 21 miles in the same direction just on the borders of the state. It is now included in the Dhamtarî tahsîl, which formerly formed part of the Kanker state. Ândali is probably represented by the present Ândnî (Ânjnî), 10 miles east of Kanker. Pâdî cannot be identified. The same is the case with Vanikôṭṭā about which it is doubtful whether it is the name of a village at all.

Plate I.

TEXT.

- l Svasti **Kākaira-**samāvāsē rājādhirāja-paramēšvara-paramamāhēsva(šva)r**a-**Sē-
- ma-vains(6)-ânvaya-prasûta-Kâtyâ[ya*]nî-vara-lavdha-paincha-savd¹-âbhinaindita-nija-bhij.
 ópârjita-
- 3 mahaman[d*]alîka-sîmat-Pamparâjadêva-vijaya-râjyê tat-samuihita-râjîî Lakshmi-
- i dévi kumara ³ Vôpadêva pradhâna Bhôga rârâ l vaipâtha l asû i êtê nijavyâpâram kurvvam ti-
- 5 shṛhā(a)mti Jaiparā Vanikôţţa maryâdî-kritya grâma-patrô=yam gaiti-Lakshmidharâyam(ya) pradattam
- 6 prathama sarāha gaja bhāma āchhu 130 vijaya-rāja tanika 140 halav ārddha-pattam-
- 7 tarê l tathā Chikhall-grâma-patrê vijaya-râj[y*]a-tṭamka 150 pralavâ-pau-
- S pa-pattaintard | Asmim arthe säkshinah bhattarä[naka*] (|) Govinda gai(n)ta Lakshmidhara | gai[tâ*] Ma-
- 9 hôsvara i na[yaka*] | Chhamtû | na[yaka*] | Dâmôdara | sa[o*] | Pâlatû | samvat (1) 965 Bhâdrapada vadi 1[0]
- 10 miga-rikshê 7 sôdma-dinê | pam | Vishņusarmmaņā likhitam sêthi Kesavens utkirnnam Pādi-
- 11 patianė [||*] subham' bhavatu ||

TRANSLATION.

Hail! At the Kākaira residence, in the victorious reign of the illustrious Mahāmandalāta Pamparājadēva, the king of kings, the supreme lord, the great worshipper of Siva, (who is) born in the lineage of the family of the Moon, who is hailed as having obtained the 5 sounds as a boon from Kātyāyanī, who has acquired (his country) by (the force of) his own arms, with him the queen Lakshmidēvi and Prince Vôpadēva (sitting) by his side, and while the eight¹⁰ officials

- 1 Rend °labdha-pancha-sabd-.
- ? Read irtmat -.
- 8 Read kumára.

- Probably ashta.
- Read rajya.

6 Read Mahesvara.

- 1 Read mrigarkshe.
- Bead somodine. Read subham.

These eight officials seem to have included the minister, the village priest, who in the present case is a party to the transaction, the Raj Pandit, who wrote out this document, and five others, whose office is probably expressed by five letters Rd, Rd, Vai, Pd and Tha, which perhaps stand for Rdnaka (chief counsellor), Rdjavallabha (contfavourite), Vêtrika (chamberlain), Pdris ikx (side-de-camp), and Thakkura (lord-in-waiting). See Jour At Soc. Bengal, 1905, Vol. I, p. 10; Vol. XVII, 1878, pp. 405 and 408; Ind. Ant. Vol. XI, pp. 244 and 337. In the last, which is a Chaulukys grant of A D. 1207, the following occurs: dtairs ashtabhir goshthikaih ... said karantya, this place of worship has to be taken care of by the following eight trustees. Our inscription was written only six years after the one referred to above, and it would seem that at that time eight was considered an adequate number of persons as witnesses or trustees, etc. in connection with transactions of at least landed property.

I. |Kalachuri| Samvat 965.

H. [Kalachur] Samyat 966.

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(headed by) the minister Bhôga (?) are present on duty, this document of the village, making Jaiparā Vaṇikôṭṭā the limit,¹ is given to Gaitā ² Lākshmidharā. First³ (the revenue was payable) at 130 (in former coins, now) 140 coins of (our) victorious reign (mint) for half the Habbā ² paṭṭì (share). Similarly in the document of Chikhalī village, 150 coins of (our) victorious reign (mint) for the ¾ Pralavā (Halbā) paṭṭì (share). The witnesses for this purpose (are) Bhaṭṭarāṇakā Gōvinda, Gaitā Lakshmidhara, Gaitā Maheśvara, Nāyakā Chhanṭū, Nāyakā Dāmōdara, Sāo Pālaṭū. Saṇvat 965, Bhadrapada (month), in the Mṛiga lunar mansion (rīkshā), on Monday, the l[0]th of the dark fortnight. Written by Paṇḍit Vishṇuśarman and engraved by Sēṭhi Kēšavā in the Pāḍi town. Let good fortune attend.

Plate II. TEXT.

- l Ôm
5 Svasti Pâḍi-samāvāsê samasta-rāj-āvalî-maṇālatikrita
6-sômavam [sānvaya-7 prasû]ta-mahâ-
- 2 man
[d*]alîka-śrîmad-Vôpadéva-pâd-ânudhyâta-parama-bhatțâraka-mahaman
[d*]alîk a a [śri]mat-Sômará-

² The village priest is still called Gaita in Kanker and Bastar States.

Pattis are plots of land in a village and the Halva or Halba patti was apparently one cultivated by the Halbas, an aboriginal tribe chiefly found in Kanker (see above note 5, page 124).

Expressed by a symbol. Read °many-alamkrita. Read -vamtanvaya-. Read -mahamandaltka.

¹ This is another ambiguous phrase capable of various interpretations. It is possible that the executors meant to convey that the boundaries of Jaipara Vanikotts were duly marked out on the spot before the document was given to Lakshmidhara. Vanikôrta is another troublesome word. It may have been the name of a village in the vicinity of Jaipara and may have been used as an adjunct to distinguish it from other villages of the same name. Similarly people talk of Déori Naharman, meaning that Déori which is near the village Naharman, to distinguish it frem another Deorf. There is a village in Kauker called Pharaskôt, which is probably a corruption of Parasukôtta, and on this analogy, it may fairly be asserted that there is nothing extraordinary in the name Vanikôtta as denoting a village. It is, however, equally probable that it was no village, and that JaiparA had this adjunct because there existed in that village a vanik-kôtta, or "traders' fortress," that is, a fortified place probably made by Bangiras for storing grain purchased for transport. In olden times the Bangiras are known to have carried even yous for protecting themselves from plunder. Jaiparâ may have been one of their central depôts, which they bertified, and the village therefore came to be called Jaipara Vani[k*]-kôtta. It is not necessary that the Banjàras alone should have done this. There may have been other traders who might have built a fortified place, but as this put of the country has been and is a favourite resort of these wandering traders, it is more likely that they should have built such a depôt. Numerous examples of such adjuncts may be cited. Thus, there is a village Barâ in the Sanger district. It has got Hindu tombs called Surai and bence people call it Bara Suraigaon. In fact the adjunct has gained such prominence that the real name Bara is almost elbowed out, and only Suraigaon is regularly ased. Similarly, Hirdénagar-Garhakôta, well known as Garhakôta, derives its name from the construction of a fort and rampart, the original principal village being Hirdénagar, which a Bundéla chief Hirdé-Shah founded in his own name.

Lines 4 and 5 are so obscure as to make their translation extremely doubtful. There can be little doubt, however, that they relate to the fixation of revenue of the villages mentioned, in the coins of the reigning prince. Whether the old revenue in respect to the village to which the transaction refers, was 130 tankas, and on revision on the present occasion, was enhanced to 140 tankas, or the old 130 tankas were equal to 140 new coins is not clear. While executing the present document opportunity was taken to revise the revenue of another village, Chikhali, for which another gramapatra or document existed, and the revenue was fixed at 150 new tankas. It appears that the Chikhali document was not near at hand, and that seems to be the reason why blank space enough to fill up 3 figures was left out between the words Chikhall-gramapatrs and Vijaya-rajyatanka to be filled up afterwards. But once omitted nobody cared to fill it in, the matter not being of great importance, as the old rental was superseded by the revised amount which was thenceforth payable to the State. The fact that this record is a palimpsest seems to show that the fresh transaction was a matter on revision under the new régime of Pamparajudèva, and apparently the old record, which had become useless, was beaten out and the new one was The words saraha goja bhama achhu appear to be some local technical term, which was used in fiscal matters and was well understood at the time, but so far as my enquiry from local sources goes, it has not survived and it is not now used in State transactions. The matter, however, is not of great importance and does not affect the historical information inferable from the record.

- 3 jadéva-pàd-ânu dhyôtal-paramabhaṭtâraka-mahâmanḍalika-śrimat-Pamparājadéva-madi. : pravaddhimāna³-ka-
- 4 lyâna-vî(vi)jaya-râjyê tat-sainnihita râjîî Lashmâdêvi kumara Vôpadêva pradhâna Vâghu | thâktri asta Vi[shṇu]-
- 5 sarmma⁷ | Narayana | bhattarana[ka*] Gôvimda | gai | Mahêsra⁸ | na | Chhâtû | na | Dâmôdra⁹ | sa | Paltûai¹⁰ | êtê nija-vyâpa(pâ)-
- 6 ram kurvam tishthamti | Ghritakansika-gôtr-ânvaya-prasûta sama[sta*]-dvija-vanyy-6 | d* | dyôta-kâraka-gaitta(â)-Madhavasarmmaḥ¹¹
- 7 pautrā[ya*] gaittā-Gadādhara-putrāya sakala-guņ-ālamkri[ta*]-gaitā-Lakshmadharasarmmaņē¹² yajurvēd-ādhyāyinē **Îsvara-**¹³
- S samvatsarê kûr[t*]tika-mûsê chitrû-rikshê¹⁴ ravidînê suryûparûgê¹⁵ (ri-Prûmkêsvara¹⁶-samn(sam)mdhûna-Kêgarû-grûmê=
- 9 yaŭ chatu-simâ-payamtam¹⁷ pâda-prakshâhanam kritvâ asmâbhi[ḥ*] pradattam¹⁸ #
 Tat-kâla-samayê visaya¹⁹-madhyê [srî]-kumara²⁰
- 10 Vôpadévêna pâda-prakshâlanan kritvâ Ândaligrâmô-ya[m*] pradattam²¹ i sanvat 966 sâvu Kêsavê-
- 11 na³² utkinuam[||*] subham²³ bhavatu ||

TRANSLATION.

Hail! At the Padi residence, in the augmenting, prosperous and victorious reign on this earth of the illustrious Paramabhattiraka Mahanandalika Pamparajadêva, who meditated on the feet of the illustrious Paramabhattiraka. Mahimandalika Somarajadéva, who meditated on the feet of the illustrious Mahdmundalika Vôpaděva, who was born of the family of the moon and who was adorned by the gems of the row of all the kings. In the Isvarasamvatsara, in the month of Karttika, in the Chitra lunar mansion (riksha), on Sunday, at the solar eclipse, with the queen Lakshmidévi and Prince Vôpadéva (sitting by us, and while the eight officers Vishņusarman, Narayana, Bhattarana(ka) Govinda, Guitti) Maheśwara, Nâ(yaka) Chhâţû, Nâ(yaka) Dâmôdara, Sâ(o) Palţû, (headed by) the minister Vaghu are present on duty, the village Kôgarâ near Śrî Prāmkēśvara, to the extent of its four boundaries, has been given by us, after having washed our feet (coremoniously), to Gaità Lakshmidharasarman, a student of the Yajurveda, adorned with all virtues, the son of Gaid Gadadhara and the grandson of Gaita Madhavasarman, who was born in a family (belonging to) the Chritakausika gòtra, the best of all twiceborn, and the author of the Uddyöta. At the same time and in the same country, the Andall village was given by the illustrious prince Vôpadôva, after having washed his feet. Samvat 966. Engraved by São Kêśava. Let good fortune attend.

21. - KHARIAR COPPER PLATES OF MAHA-SUDEVA.

By STEN KONOW.

These plates were sent to me in March 1907 by the Commissioner of Raipur, who stated that they had been dug up at Khariar in the Raipur D'strict, Contral Provinces. The name of the

1 Read "dh yata .. Read -ment-. 3 Read -pravarddhamana-. Read Lakshmidéci. " Read ! Juden. A Perhaps thakkura ashta. 7 Rend Vishnusarmina. * Ford Stablivara. Read Dambdara. 10 Read Pattal. 1) Read Madharasarmmayah. 12 Read Lakshmidharasarmmant. 17 Read Isvara -. 14 Read of brickshift. 16 Read suryoparage. 16 Perhaps a corruption of Prane vara or Pranakarésvara. 17 Read chatuh-sima-pary inlam 18 Read pradattah. 19 Read vishaya .. 30 Read sri-kumára-. 12 Read Késaréna ulkiring m 21 Read pradattah. 22 Rend subham.

place occurs as Karial on the Indian Atlas sheet 92 N. E., Lat 82° 50' and 20° 17'. The plates have now been deposited in the Nagpur Museum.

There are three copper plates, each measuring $5_8^{n''} \times 3_8^{1n''}$. The first is inscribed on one side only. Traces on the other side show that the plate has formerly been used for another inscription. The plates are quite smooth, and their edges have neither been fashioned thicker, non-raised into rims. They are in an excellent state of preservation. About 1'' from the middle of the proper right margin, each plate has a hole, about $\frac{1}{16}''$ in diameter, for the ring on which the plates are strung. This ring is oval, $3_{16}^{n''}$ long and $2_{16}^{n''}$ broad. It had not been cut when the plates were sent to me.

The ends of the ring are secured in a circular seal, about 3_8^{47} in diameter. It is identical with that described by Dr. Fleet, Gupta Inscriptions, p. 196. Its upper part shows a representation of a standing Lakshmi facing full front; on each side of her an elephant is standing on a waterlily, with its trunk raised above her head. In the proper right corner there is an expanded waterlily, in the proper left corner a saûkha.

The seal has been subjected to fire, and the legend could not be made out when I received the plates. It has, however, proved possible to clean it, so that it can now be read with certainty. It therefore also makes it possible to decide what the legend must have been on the corresponding seal published by Dr. Fleet, which is quite illegible.

The weight of the three plates is 1 lb. $2\frac{\pi}{4}$ oz.; and of the ring and seal 1 lb. 2 oz., total 2 lb $4\frac{\pi}{4}$ oz.

The size of the letters is about $\frac{1}{4}$. The character is the same box-headed variety of the Central Indian alphabet as in the copper plates of the same king published by Dr. Fleet, Cinpta Inscriptions, pp. 196 and ff. The long variety of \hat{i} is denoted by a dot in the middle of the base of the circle denoting i, and usually not in the centre of it as in the Ârang plates of Mahâ-Jayarâja, nor in the right side of it as in the Raipur plates of Mahâ-Sudèva. The separate sign of the cerebral \hat{q} occurs in $ch\hat{u}d\phi mani$, 1. 1, and the final form of t in dadydt, 1. 18, and rasit, 1. 19. Note also the use of one and the same sign to denote a stop in 1. 5 and the visarga in 1. 4, etc. The compound $\hat{n}gh$ occurs in $Dr\hat{o}nasi\hat{n}gh\hat{c}na$, 1. 23, and $\hat{n}ch$ in $ka\hat{n}chanam$, 1. 17; $mahimat\hat{a}nchanam$, $khr\hat{c}shta$, 1. 21, and, falsely, in $d\hat{a}n\hat{a}nch=chhr\hat{c}y\hat{o}$, 1. 22.

The numerical symbols for 2, 20, and 9 occur in 1, 22.

The language is Sanskrit. The legend on the seal and the usual imprecatory stanzas, here attributed to Vyasa, are in verse, the remainder of the inscription is in prose.

As regards orthography we have to note the doubling of k before r in rikkramu, 1, 1; the similar doubling of dh before y in anuddhyâtat, 1, 3; the doubling of a consonant after r in seargyê, 1, 18; visarjjitê, 1, 8; suvarnnam, 1, 16; dharmméshu and dharmma, 1, 13; sûryya, 1, 16; sarvra, 1, 8; hêtur-evasu, 1, 3; bhûr-evaishnavî, 1, 16; bahubhir-evasudhâ, 1, 19; the form savratsara, i.e. savvatsara, 1, 22; the use of the jihvâmûliya in yah-kdûchanam, 1, 17 (but râjah kshiti-, 1, 4); of the upadhmânîya in -pradah parama-, 1, 3; Sûmbilakayêh pratirâsi-, 1, 5, etc. The visarga is usually replaced by s before hard dontals. Before the stop, however, we find bhûmih tasya, 1, 20; -srishtah tê, 1, 10. A superfluous anusvâra has been added in bhûmipâmu, 1, 12. Tri and tri have been interchanged in pitri-, 1, 3, and tridatu-, 1, 6. Note finally the forms tâmbra-, 11, 10 and 23; Drônasinghêna, 1, 23, and the use of the genitive in Vishnusvâminas, 1, 10.

The inscription is one of the Raja Maha-Sudéva, and it is dated in the second year of his reign on the 29th day of Śravana. The engravor was Drônasingha, who also occurs in

¹ Gupta Inscriptions, pp. 191 and ff.

² Gupta Inscriptions, pp. 196 and ff.

Mahâ-Sudêvâ's Raipur plates.¹ Like this latter inscription and the Âraṅg copper plates of Mahâ-Jayarāja,² our inscription was issued from Śarabhapura, and it states that the illustrious Mahâ-Sudêvarāja, whose two feet are washed by the water which is the flowing forth of the lustre of the crest jewels in the tiaras of the sāmantas who have been subjugated by his prowess; who is the cause for the removal of the parting of the hair of the women of his enemies; who is the giver of riches, of land, and of cows; who is a devout worshipper, of Bhagavat; who meditates on the feet of his mother and father, issues the following order to the householders living in Navannaka and the neighbouring Śāmbilaka, in the Kshitimaṇḍa ahāra: Be it known to you that these two villages, which assure the happiness of the abode of the king of gods, have been bestowed by a copper charter on the Vājisanēyin Vishņusvamin, of the Kaušika gôtra, for as long a time as the world endures, having the terrible darkness dispelled by the rays of sun, moon, and the stars; together with their treasures and deposits, not to be entered by district officors³ and soldiers, free from all taxes; for the purpose of increasing the spiritual merit of our parents and ourselves.

The date of our inscription cannot as yet be settled. Mahâ-Sudêva is the same who has issued the grant published by Rájendralála Mitra and Dr. Fleet. According to the legend of the seal he was the son of a certain Mânamâtra, who in his turn had risen from the Prasann-ârnava, i. c. who was descended from Prasanna, probably his son.

Neither Manamatra nor Prasanna are elsewhere known. Manamatra can perhaps be identified with Mananatra, "the ornament of the Rashtrakûtas," who is mentioned in the copper plates of Abhimanyu of Manapura edited by Professor Hultzsch.⁶ This Mananka had a son, Dévaraja, who might be identical with Sudévaraja. In support of this hypothesis it may be mentioned that matra and anka are both stated by lexicographers to mean ornament. On the other hand, the alphabets of the two inscriptions differ, and this, in addition to the difference in the names, makes the identification very doubtful.

Of the geographical names occurring in the inscription Sarabhapura also recurs in the two other grants by Mahâ-Sudêva and in the Ârang plates of Mahâ-Jayarâja. Navannaka may be the present Nahnâ, the Nainâ? of the maps, three miles south of Khariâr. We do not know anything about the location of the remaining geographical names of our inscription. Kshitimanda and Sâmbilaka. They should be locked for in the neighbourhood of Khariâr.

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First Plate.

- 1 Svasti [i*] Sarabhapurad-vikkram-ôpanata-sâmanta-makuṭa-chûdâmani-
- 2 prabhá-prasôk-âmbu-dhôta9-pâda-yugalô ripu-vilâsinî-sîmant-ôddharaṇa-
- $3-h \\ \$ tur=vvasu-vasudh \\ \$ -g \\ \$ -pradah=paramabh \\ \$ gavat \\ \$ -m \\ \$ ta-pitri \\ ^{10}-p \\ \$ d-\$ nuddhy \\ \$ -n \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -paramabh \\ \$ -parama$
- 4 taś-śrî-Mahâ-Sudêva-rājah Kshitimand-âhârîya-Navannaka-êtat-prâvêsya-
- 5 Sambilakayôh=prativasi-kutumbinas-samajñapayati || Viditam= astu

Gupta Inscriptions, pp. 196 and ff. Ibid. pp. 191 and ff.

For the meaning of châta compare Dr. Vogel in Archaelogical Survey of India, Annual Report, 1902-03, p. 247.

⁴ J. Beng. A. S., Vol. xxxv, Part i, 1867, pp. 195 and ff.

⁵ Gupta Inscriptions, pp. 196 and ff.

⁶ Above, Vol. viii, p. 168; compare Fleet, Ind. Ant., Vol. xxx, p. 509.

¹ The Commissioner of Raipur now informs me that the plates were actually found in Nahnâ, and that the local authorities are inclined to identify Sambilaka with the present San Doil or Sandohal, a village adjoining Nahnâ.

b From the original plates.

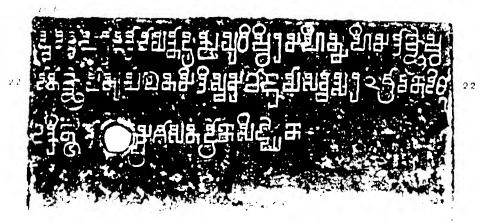
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¹⁰ Read . pitri ..

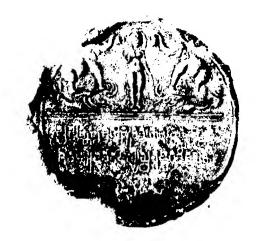
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Second Plate ; First Side.

- yath=asmabhir=ctad1=grama-dvayaii tridasa2-pati-sadana-sukha-pratishthâkarô vâva-
- 7 d-ravi-sasi-târâ-kirana-pratihata-ghôr-ândhakâram jagad-avatishthatô tavad-upa-
- 8 bhôgyas=sanidhis=sôpanidhir=achâţa-bhaţa-prâvêśya-sarvva-kara-visarjji-
- 9. tó mátápitrór=átmanaś=cha puny-ábhivriddhayê Vájisanéya-Kôśika³-sagôtra-
- 10 Vishņusvāminas -tāmbrašāsanēn -ātisrishtah [[*] Tē yūyam -ēvam -upalabhy -āsy-ā-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 11 jñá-śravana-vidhêyâ bhûtvâ yathôchitain bhôga-bhûgam=upanayantas-sukhain prati-
- 12 vatsyatha [[*] Bhavishyataś-cha bhûmipâmn'-anudarsayati [][*] dânâd⁵≃ višishtam= anupa-
- 13 lana-jam6 purânâ dharmmêshu niśchita-dhiyah=pravadanti dharmmaf in* || (|) tasmā[d*] dvijā-
- suvišuddha-kula-srutāya dattām bhuvain bhavatu vô matir=êva gôptu[m* | ||
- 15 Tad=bhavadbhir=apy=êshâ dattir anupâlayitavyâ [|*] Vyása-gîtâms-ch-átra ślókân=u-

Third Plate ; First Side.

- Agner7=apatya[m*] prathamain suvaranam bhûr=vvaishnavi 16 daharanti || sûry ya-
- 17 sutâś-cha gâvaḥ [1*] dattâs=trayas-têna bhavanti lôkā yah=kanchanam gam cha mahîm cha da-
- 18 dyát [1]*] Shashṭi⁸-varsha-sahasrâṇi svarggê môdati bhûmidah [|*] achchhéita
- tâny=êva narakê vasêt []]*] Bahubhir=vyasudhâ 13 ch-ànumanta cha datta râjabhi-
- 20 s-Sagar-âdibhiḥ [[*] yasya yasya yadâ bhûmiḥ tasya tasya tadâ phalam [[

Third Plate; Second Side.

- Yudhishthira [|*] mahîm=mahîmatañ-21 Syadattâm⁹ paradattâm vâ yatnâd=raksha chchhrèshtha
- 22 dânâ(ñ)oh=chhrêyô=nupâlanam=iti [][*] syamukhâjñayâ savvatsara¹0 2 Śravana
- 23 utkirnnam tambrasasanam Dronasinghena.

Seal.

Prasann-arnnava-sambhûta-Manamatr-êndu-janmana[h*] Śrima[t-Sude]varajasya sthiram jagati [śāsanam].

The engraver originally wrote = demabhir=aya-, but corrected it to = demabhir=êta-. The gender in the following is wrong.

² Read tri.

¹ Read - kausika -.

⁴ Read bhumipan=.

Metre: Vasantatilaka. 7 Metre: Indravajrå.

The na in anupalana- has been added below the line. Metre: Sloka.

[•] Metre : Ślôka.

¹⁰ Read savvatsara.

No. 22.—NOTE ON BHUJABALA MAHARAYA.

By R. Sewell, I.C.S. (Retired).

There seems to be a mistake here. Firstly, I note that Mr. Rice does not consider the word Bhujabala in the passage in question to be a proper name. The passage runs - Vijuqu. nagarada bhujabala mahârâyaru Tuļu râjyada mēle daņļu ba**ndu, an**d is translated by Mr. Rice-'Tho mighty (bhujabala) Mahârâya of Vijayanagara having come against the Tulu kingdom with an army." Here there is no ruler or leader named "Bhujabala Maharaya." Secondly, the leader of the army could only have been Nuniz's "Busbalrae," elder brother of Krishnadêva Râya, if the date of this expedition to the Tulu country were referred to a period at least seven years earlier than the date of the inscription, because "Busbalrao" had died when Krishuadêva was placed on the throno in A.D. 1509. It is possible that the expedition did take place before Krishnadêva's accession, and it is equally possible that it may allude to Krishnadêva Râya's own exploit shortly after he came to the throne, when he, or his generals, reduced the Ganga Raja of Ummatur in Mysore. The mention in "Mg. 41" of Krishnadêva Râya's supreme sovereignty over the Kalasa country during the chieftainship of Immadi-Bhairarsa-Odeyar gives us no clue to the date of the Vijayanagara army's march to Mangalore, for this may have taken place at any period before the date of that chief's grant, viz., Sunday, July 13, A.D. 1516. But what is quite certain is that the leader of the army referred to could not have been Krishnadêva Râya's elder brother, whom Nuniz called "Bushalrao," during, as stated by Mr. Krishna Sastri, the reign of Krishnaraya; for it was "Bushalrao's" death, according to Nuniz, that placed Krishnadeva on the throne.

At the date of the grant Krishnadêva was conducting his decisive campaign in the east, and had captured Kondavidu three weeks earlier, viz., on June 23rd, A.D. 1516.

No. 23.—RAJAPURA COPPER PLATES OF MADHURANTAKADEVA. [ŚAKA] SAMVAT 987.

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By HIRA LAL, B.A., NAGPOR.

The discovery of this first copper plate inscription in the wild Bastar State of the Central Provinces is the result of the zeal with which Rai Bahadur Baijnath, B.A., the Superintendent

² See Ep. Carn. VI. 155-262, lines 1-2.

Page 127, note 2. Will some one tell us whether the name should be spelt Kalasa or Kalasa. It appears to be spelt either way in the original inscriptions. Thus in Mg. 40 (the inscription preceding the one in question), the Kanarese text has Kalasa in line 11, and Kalasa in line 12. On p. 68 of his translation Mr. Rice gives us three times Kalasa and two times Kalasa; on p. 69 we have four times Kalasa (not Kalasa) and three times Kalasa. This last form is certainly wrong, for the second akshara is always la in the original. The variation is only in the third syllable. Mr. Krishaa Sastri, in the Epigraphia spells the word consistently Kalasa.

of the State, set himself to make a search for the antiquarian remains in that little known and remote quarter, at my request. Mr. Baijnath has been richly rewarded for his efforts, for, in addition to the present copper plates, he has discovered more than twenty new inscriptions in Sanskrit and Telugu characters, of most of which he has sent me ink estampages and tracings. I have deciphered several of them and they will in due course appear in this Journal. I begin with the copper plates, as this is perhaps the most ancient Sanskrit inscription yet found in Bastar. Mr. Baijnath found the plates in the possession of a Brahman named Gangadhar Parhi of Kawadgaon close to Rajapura. Gangadhar received them from his sister-in-law, who found them buried in a field at Naharnî, sixtoen miles from Rajapura.

There are three copper plates, held together by a ring, soldered into what was apparently the lower portion of a seal, which had been broken off. Each plate is about $10\frac{1}{2}^n \times 5\frac{1}{4}^n$ and they weigh $20\frac{1}{2}$. 30 and 35 $t\delta las$, respectively, the weight of the ring being 26 $t\delta las$. The plates are smooth, sufficiently thick, and in an excellent state of preservation. They are inscribed on both sides, except the first one, which is inscribed on one side only. Mr. T. G. Green, Superintendant of the Secretariat Press, Någpur, kindly took for me impressions, which are reproduced in the accompanying plate. The plates are numbered 1, 2, 3, on the margin, which was apparently left to prevent the ring holes from coming in between the written lines. The word krt has been engraved in the upper margin of the first plate, over the figure 1.

The second side of the third plate is inscribed with benedictive and imprecatory figures, i.e., 12 hands in a row at the top, beneath which there is to the proper left a cow with a bell attached to her neck, and a dagger and a shield beside her feet, a florated linga in the form of a sastika in the middle, and a woman pursued by a donkey to the proper right, with the figure of the sun and the moon over it. My interpretation of these figures is as follows:—The hands are uplifted, apparently as an expression of benediction on the donor, and they are twelve, probably because there were 12 pâtras or donces referred to in the inscription. The cow is apparently drawn to remind us that whoseover appropriates the gifted land, will have to reap the same consequences which a cow's curse can produce, or will fall into the same calamity as a cow is in when deprived of her calf. Siva is shown as the protector against aggression on the spiritual side, and the ruling king's dagger and shield on the temporal. The sun and the moon indicate that the grant is to last as long as these luminaries endure. Lastly the obscene figure of an ass associating with a woman is a vulgar imprecation implying that the transgressor of a gift should be so low-born.

The inscription is in the Någari character. The average size of the letters is $\frac{5}{10}$ ". They are well formed and clearly written.

The language is corrupt Sanskrit, and except the benedictive and imprecatory verses, which are inserted in a somewhat disconnected manner, the remainder of the inscription is prose. In fact, the whole composition is disjointed, and there are several grammatical slips and spelling mistakes.

The most noteworthy orthographical peculiarities are the representation of the initial i with two dots and a stroke underneath, resembling the Nâgarî figure 2 (II. 13, 16, 23 and 30). The anusvâra is put at the side of the letter and is represented by a dot with a hala underneath (II. 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26 and 27), but in several instances it is also represented in the ordinary way by a dot on the top of the letter (II. 1, 3, 4, 7, 10, 12, 14, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 28, 30, 31 and 32). One top stroke representative of the matrais

of ℓ , ai, bi and au is exhibited by a vertical stroke placed before the letter to which it is attached—a practice which is still followed in the Bengâlî and Oriyâ writing, but exceptions may be found side by side, where it is placed on the top of the letter according to the practice now followed in writing. Thus, in line 12, the dbi of Madhurantakadbva has a top, while the very next dbi of Kanharadbva has a vertical stroke preceding the letter dbi. The latter form, however, predominates, the exceptions being found as regards bi in II. 2, 4, 10, 11, 12, 21, 26, 29 and 31 and of bi in II. 1, 19, 31, and 32. Abi has been according to ease one of the top matrabi has been represented by a vertical stroke preceding the letter to which it is attached. The letters bha, dha, ra and bka, invariably appear in their antiquated forms. The letter r is used throughout for b, and bi for bi, except in the solitary instances of bi and bi and bi for bi and bi for bi in II. 3 and of bi in II. 12 and 29. bi is used for bi (II. 20, 24, and 27), bi is used for the vowel bi in I. 8, and bi and bi or bi in II. 6. In line 8 bi bi and bi for bi bi and bi in other inscriptions. It represents the actual pronunciation of the vernacular word—a pronunciation still kept up in the Chhattisgaph division, of which Bastar forms part.

The object of the inscription is to record the grant of Råjapura village, situated in the Bhramarakôtya mandala, to one Médipôta or a Chhurikâra Médipôta and his descendants, together with 70 gadyāṇaka² gold. The grant was made by the king Madhurântakadevs, who belonged to the Chhindaka family of the Någa (Cobra) race. The inscription is dated in the [Śaka] year 987, in the Parābhava samvatsara, on Wodnesday of the bright fortnight of Karttika month. Although the tithi has not been given, there is a most minute description of the moment of the grant, the nakshatra being stated to be Anurādhā, the yōya to be Saubhāgya and the karana to be Gara. From these data the exact date has been kindly calculated for me by Professor Kielhern who says:—

"The date for Śaka 987 expired corresponds to Wednesday, the 5th October A.D. 1965. On this day the third tithi of the bright half of Karttika ended 9 hours 17 minutes after mean sunrise, and the nahshatra was Anuradha and the yôya Saubhagya. The second half of the tithi was the karaya Gara. But the Japiter's year is not quite correct. By the southern system it should have been Viśvavasu and by the northern luni-solar system Plavanga and by the northern mean sign system Kilaka. The mistake is the same as in the first Kanker's plates."

The purpose for which the grant was made is somewhat obscure. I take it to be a competsation for supplying a victim for human sacrifice. Before proceeding to show how I arrive at this conclusion, it may be stated that in Bastar and the adjoining tracts human sacrifices were rampant about seventy years ago. It is notovious that human victims were offered to the goddess Dantèsvari, enshrinod at Dantèwara in the Bastar State. Colonel Macpherson of the Madras Army, who was appointed agent for the suppression of Meriah sacrifices and female infanticide in the hill tracts of Orissa, which Bastar adjoins, says*:—"In the worship of Tari Pennu of Earth Goddess the chief rite is human sacrifice. It is celebrated as a public oblation by twice both at social festivals held periodically and when occasions demand extraordinary propitiations such as the occurrence of an extraordinary number of deaths by disease or by tigers, or should very many die in child-birth, or should the flocks or herds suffer largely from disease or from wild beasts, or should the greater crops threaten to fail, or the occurrence of any marked calamity to the families of the tribal chiefs. Victims are called Meriah and are acceptable only when they have been acquired by purchase or were born as such, that is, of a victim father Victims are generally supplied to the Khonds by men of the two races called Pauwa and Gallinga, who are attached it; small numbers to almost every Khond village for the discharge of this and other peculiar offices. The Panwas purchase the victims without difficulty or kidnap

¹ Compare Dr Grierson in J. R. A. S. 1907, p. 1057.

² Gadyanaka is a weight = 32 gunja. See Yajuavalkyadi. 258.

Above p. 129. J. M. A. S. Vol. XIII. (1852), p. 243 et seq.

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them from the poorer classes of Hindus, procuring them either to the order of the Khonds or on speculation, and they moreover constantly sell as victims their own children and children of whom as relatives they are the guardians. Khonds when in distress, as in times of famine, also frequently sell their children for victims, considering the beatification of their souls certain ard their death for the benefit of mankind, the most honourable possible. The Meriah grove, a clump of deep and shadowy forest trees, usually stands at a short distance from the village by a rivalet which is called the Meriah stream. It is kept sacred from the axe and is avoided by the Khonds as haunted ground." Bearing these remarks in mind, I now proceed to examine in how far they can throw light on our inscription. The italies in the above extract are mine, and they should be borne especially in mind, while considering what follows. In II. 26 to 28 it is stated that "no body enters the chhuriprabandha. There is no place for the preceptor of yiqinis. For this purpose this village is taken with a view to do good to all living beings." From this it is plain that the grant was not made for any spiritual purpose such as the increasing of the religious merit of the king and his ancestors, but with a practical earthly aim, riz., in order to secure the welfare of the general public including cattle and other animals. The grant was not made to a Brāhmaņa but to a Mēdipôta (II. 12 to 14) who is styled "Pâtra 12," and to whom 70 gadydnaka gold were given in addition to the village, with the mutual consent! of the king, the queen, the prince and officers of State as stated in the grant, evidently in order to make the transaction an ont-and-out purchase. Had the donee been a Brahmana, we should have expected a mention of his parentage, gôtra and caste, but no such information is forthcoming in this grant. In 1, 25 Mêdipôta is called chhurikâra, which is probably used in a technical sense having reference to the chluriprabandha referred to above, and not in the ordinary sense of a knife-maker (blacksmith). I am unable to say what chhuriprabandha2 really means, but from the context it appears to stand for something like narabaliprabandha, apparently on account of the great importance of the chhuri or knife in the sacrifice.

With regard to the epithet "12 pâtra" I am inclined to believe that Mêdipôta, whether this word is a proper name or the name of an office, was the head of the 12 persons employed in the work of procuring victims. So late as 1884 A.D., when an investigation was made in Bastar in connection with kidnapping persons for sacrifice, it was believed that there were 12 villages given rent-free to kidnappers of 12 families, with whom the stipulation was that in ease they could not procure victims from elsewhere, they must supply them from their own family in consideration of the free grant they enjoyed. Of course the existence of a grant for such a purpose could not be proved, as the sacrifices had been stopped long before the institution of the investigation. But the tradition of 12 families of melliahs or kidnappers of victims is significant and points to a practice which evidently existed in the days of these sacrifices." I am further inclined to think that Mêdipôta was an office, Mêdi being the same as Mêli or Melli vulgo Melliah or Malia, the word pôta, which in Telugu means a sacrificial victim, being dropped for

¹ The Káliká Purána says:-

If a human sacrifice is performed without the consent of the prince, the performer incurs sin (see Rudhirádhyáya in the Asiatic Researches, Vol. V. p. 383).

² [The text has chhurtpravadham, which might perhaps be translated "killing with a chhuri."-S. K.]

¹ [The passage in question (l. 14) can also be translated,—" Receivers 12 Midipotas, in their hand property was received." The Chhurikara of 1. 25 would then be a special Midipota.—S. K.

^{*}Capt. MacVicar says:—
"The Meriah offering, whether so called Toki Poojah or Noroboli (Narabali), is essentially the same in object as the holi (bali) of the Doorga Poojah, and to this day the ritual of the Khond is annually celebrated by the Borisoloo or Maliah Pater (Pâtra) at Pooramari, the capital of Chinna Kimedi, on the conclusion of the Dasserah festival—a goat now being substituted for the more precious victim."
Mark the italics, which are mine. (See Report by Capt MacVicar, 1851, in the History of operations for the suppression of human sacrifice in the hill tracks of Orissa, 1854). It would appear that Melliah (the procurer) and Mejiah (the victim) were identical terms, the procurers being regarded in

the sake of brevity. It will now appear that the grant gives sufficient indications pointing to the procuring of a human victim. The village is secured as the residence of the preceptor of the jöginis, who of course dwell in a haunted place, which is naturally avoided by others. The victim is obtained by purchase, with the mutual consent of the king and his subjects, the grant made to non-Brahmanas, the likely persons to take part in such a ceremony, and all this is done for the purpose of days and dharma to all living creatures. Having referred to these main points, I pass over the minor ones which lead to the same conclusion, that this grant-was made in favour of procurers of victims for human sacrifices. If therefore the purpose of the grant is really what it appears to be, then I fancy this is a unique record and no similar inscription has hitherto been discovered.

Some remarks about the dynasty of the king mentioned in this grant will be found above on pp. 161 and ff., where I have dealt with the inscriptions of the Nâgavanisi king found in Bastar, most of which are not yet published and which I propose to edit in due course as intimated before. The dynasty is clearly related to the Sinda family of Yelburga Though styled "Lord of Bhôgâvatî, the best of cities," Madhurântakadêva appears to have been a Mandulika (fendatory chief), as the verse in Il. 24-25 shows that his rāj was limited to Bhramarakotya, which is described as a mandula in 1, 15. He belonged to the Chhindaka family, one of the 36 Agnikulas¹ montioned by Chand Bardai, the court poot of Prithvîrája.

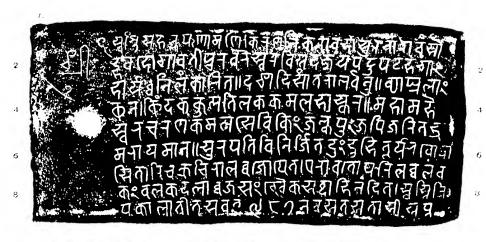
With regard to the localities mentioned in the record, Rajapura is identical with the present village of the same name, 22 miles north-west of Jagdalpur (the capital of Bastar), or the bank of the Indravati river. There are ruins of a fort there, and it is believed that it was one a royal capital. The present Râja family also dwelt there for some time. Chakrakôtya is, I wel little doubt, the town mentioned by the Kashmirian poet Bilhana in his Vikraminkadiracharia, in which he records that Vikrama as yuvardja set out on a series of warlike expeditions, with the permission of his father. He repeatedly defeated the Chôlas and plundered Kanehi. He assisted the king of Mâlavâ in regaining his kingdom and carried his arms as far north as Gaula and Kâmarûpa. He attacked also the king of Sinhala or Coylon, destroyed the sandal wood forests of Malaya Hills and slew the lord of Kêrala. He finally conquered Gângakunda (IV. 21) Vêngî (IV. 29) and Chakrakôţa (IV. 30). After having accomplished these brilliant exploits Vikrama turned homewards, and, on coming as far as the Krishua, he was suddenly disquicted by the news of his father's death. Dr. Bühler's romarks that "Bilhana's rhapsodic treatment of this portion of Vikrama's career makes it impossible to determine the chronological order of these wars. Only so much may be considered cortain that his last exploits were performed in the south as he came on his homeward march to the Krishna." There can be no doubt about these exploits of Vikrama. They were, as related above, the conquest of Gångakunda, Véngi and Chakrakôta, and at least these seem to have been conquered in the order in which they have been mentioned. Gångakunda was the Chôla capital, situated in the north-east corner of the Trichinopoly district,3 whence Vikrama proceeded north to Vôngi, the country between the Krishra

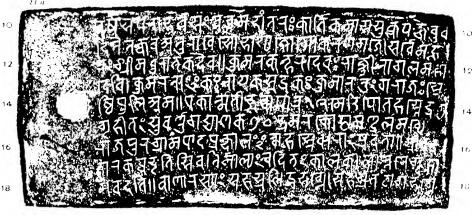
the same light as the victims, as they had themselves to become victims in the absence of a procured one. The sacrificers paid the Melliahs, who thus became purchased victims, and they did not care whence the victim was procured so long as one was supplied to them when wanted. Thus to the sacrificers, the procurer and the victim would mean the same thing, but the terms came to be differentiated when a class of procurers grew up and the real victim happened to be a substitute for themselves. A parallel instance of such differentiation in the same word may be found in Kôtwia in the Saugor district, where in spite of the officials regarding them as identical, a social distinction is made out. The Kôtwâl is generally of a higher caste than the Kôtwâr and considers himself the proper village watchman, other mental duties being taken as the proper function of the Kôtwâr.

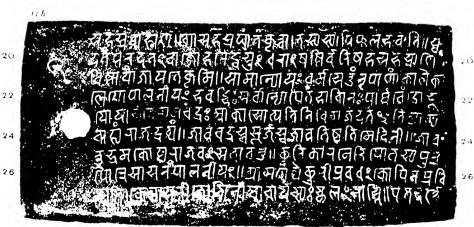
¹ Pritheirája Rásó, Conto 1, page 54 (Nagari Pracharini Granthamála series).

² Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 319 footnote.

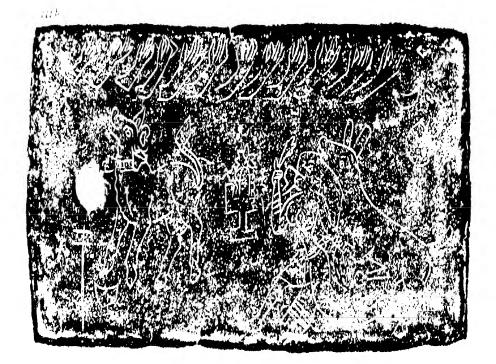
Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX, p. 339.







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and the Godavari. He apparently crossed the latter and raided the country of Chakrakota and then wended his way homewards. This occurred just a few years after the present grant was made (1065 A.D.), in as much as Vikrama became king in 1076 A.D. Many a southern king! likewise raided this somewhat weak power, which must accordingly have been situated near to their kingdoms. Therefore Chakrakòţa was not near Dhârâ, as some scholars have supposed, but was contiguous to Vêngî, being situated in the present Bastar state. I think the confusion with Dhara is due to the fact that Chakrakotya had a king named Dharavarsha (which has been apparently wrongly interpreted to mean 'king of Dhara'. '). In an unpublished inscription found at Kuruspâl, a place close to Râjapura, there occurs. Chakrakûtûdhiśvarânâm kulam-alam kurishnuh samahhavad Dharávarshanamô narésvarah. The Narayanpâla inscription also mentions Dhârâvarsha, whose widow Guṇḍa-mahâdêvî gave away the Nârâyanapura village in her grandson's roign in the year 1111 A.D.3 The name Chakrakôtya probably survives in the present Chitrakûţa or Chitrakòţa, 8 miles from Râjapura. Bhramarakôţya was possibly an alternative name of Chakrakôtya, which seems to survive in Chumara, a name given to the fall of the Indravatî at Chitrakôța.

TEXT.

First Plate.

- Om4 svasti [1*] Sahasra-phanamani-kirana-nikar-avabhasnra-"Nagavams-a-
- dbhava-Bhôgavati-pura-var-êsvara visada-jaya-patu-pataha-gâm-
- 3 bha(bhi)rya-dhvani-lamkarita?-(||)dasa-dis-amtaralardhanus-(||)vyaghra-lam-
- chhana-(|)Chhimdaka-kvla-tilaka-kamala-bhâskara (||) mahâ-mahô-
- svara(śvara)-charaņa-kamala-sêvi-kimjalka-pumja-pit m*]jarita-bhra-
- marayamana(pa) (||) surapati-vinirjita-dumdubhi-tûrya-rav-ô[t*]trâ-
- chirâ-lavdha-jôyêta9 (1) êrâvat-ôpari-lavdha-lainva10-
- 11sainkh-aika-savd-âbhinaindita | svasti nri-12 kainvala-kadalâ(lî)-dhvaja
- pa·kâl-âtîta-sa[in*]vat 987 nava-sata-satâsî-sapta-13

Second Plate ; First Side.

- parabhava-samvatum-abhyamtarah-kartika-masa-sukla-paksholi vudhanakvatra anurāvê¹⁶ saubhagya-jôgê¹⁷ | karana-gajê¹⁸ | sarvê¹⁹
- ¹ The first raid so far as is known appears to have been made by Vijayaditya III. of the Eastern Chulukya one, who ruled between 844 and 888 A.D. He burnt Chakrakôta (above, Vol. IV. p. 226). Then the Chola Rijendra-Chôla I. (A.D. 1011-33) took Sakkara-kôttam (South. Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 108), while one of his successors, king Vîrarâjêndra I., claims to have crossed the Gôdûvarî, passed through Kalinga, and advanced against Chakrakôta (ibid. Vol. III. p. 70). Next the Chôla Ling Kulôttunga, while yet a youth, won his first laurels in battle by storming Chakrakôta. This happened prior to 1070 A.D. and is mentioned in the Tamil poem Kilingaltu Parani (X 24), and also in inscriptions (see e.g. Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 286). Vikrama was probably the fifth raider, the sixth being Vishauvardhana Hoysala in the 12th century (Kielhorn's Southern List, No. 3(6)).
- ² I would therefore, instead of 'Rajakêsarivarman (i.e. Kulôttunga Chôla I.) conquered the king of Dhárá at Chakrakûtu' read 'Rûjakêsarivarman conquered king Dhârû(varsha) at Chakrakûtta' (see Kielhorn's Southern List, No. 756).
 - See above, page 161.
- 4 Expressed by a symbol.
- B Read -vams-6dbhava.

- 6 Read -ésvara visada-.
- 1 Read -tamkárita.
- " Rend -dis-amtaralo dhanur-.

- Read -labdha-jay-opéta.
- 10 Read airárat-ópari-labilha-lamba-kamala-.

- 11 Read famkh-aika-sabd-.
- 12 Read śaka-nri-.
- 18 Rend -sata-sapt-asiti-.

- 14 Rend varshasya.
- 18 Read samvatsar-Abhyamtara-kArttika-mAsa-sukla-pakshi budha-.
- 14 Rent anurádhá-nakshatrs. 17 Read -yoge.
- " Read gara-karans.
- 18 Read sarva-muhūrttēshu.

- 12 tram śri-Madhuramtakadeva | kumara! Kanharadeveh râjñî Nâgala-mahâ.
- 13 dêvi l kumara ²Nâikah nâyaka Sûdrakah³ kumâra Tumgarâjah srê-4
- shthi Puliama II êkânmatî⁵ -bhûtvâ pâtra 12 mêdipôta hastê dravyam
- grihîtani suyarnna-gadyânaka 70 Bhramarakôtya-mandala-madhyê
- Rajapura-grāmam pāda prakshāla[y*]itvā hastā dhārām pradatā(ttam) || â-chamdra-
- 17 târaka-prabhriti siya-nirmâlyam⁶ vaditam kâla-kâl-ântarê grihnâ-⁷
- mam vadati || Vâṇârasyâm sahasra-linga bhagnô | sahasra-tatâga⁸ bhagnô

Second Plate: Second Side.

- 19 sahasra vráhmana⁹ | gô-sahasra-ghâtain kritvå | tasyasyôpi¹⁰ phalain bhavati | sva-
- $da[t^*]t[\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad paradat[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{va} \quad \text{j\hat{o}}(y\hat{o}) \quad \text{har\hat{o}d$}(r\hat{v}ta) \quad \text{vasumdhar\hat{a}m$} \quad [l^*] \quad \text{shashtin} \quad \text{the shape of the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{va} \quad \text{shashtin} \quad \text{the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{va} \quad \text{shashtin} \quad \text{the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{va} \quad \text{shashtin} \quad \text{the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{va} \quad \text{shashtin} \quad \text{the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{va} \quad \text{shashtin} \quad \text{the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{shashtin} \quad \text{the paradat}[t\hat{a}^*] \text{ in } \quad \text{the pa$ 20 varishaha-sahasrani
- kṛimi[h*] || sâmânyô=yam dharma-sêtum(tur)-nṛipânam vishthâyâin jâyatê 21 kâlê kâ-
- pâlanîyam (-yô) bhavadbhih [[*] sarvân-yôpêtam 12 22lô (vô) bhaginah pârthavêmdró bhû-
- Râmachamdrah [][*] Âkâs-ôtpatil3 nidhi da[t*]tam 23 vô yáchatô gaja grâmya
- vâhyadı râja-dravyadı || 14jâva chadras-cha sûrjas-cha jâva tishthati mêdidi || 24
- tu Bhramakôtya râjavainsa tâvatu || chhuri-kâra mêdipôtasya putra-25
- pautrô sâsanain 15 pâlanîyam || grâma-môdhyô 16 chhurî-pravadhain 17 kô-pi pravi-
- sati18 || kulâyanî19-jôginî-âchâryasya(h) sthalam n=âsti || êtad-arthê 27

Third Plate: First Side.

- grâmain grihîtain dayâ-dharma-sarva-jaintu-(1)upakâr-ârtha-hêtuin || 28
- tya-mandala-madhyô sâkshi nâyaka śrî-Dhârêsvarah(śvarah) Mudhasell Naga. 29
- hasti I karana Daria I Likhitam kayastha-Dhanûkêna(h) iti 30
- Tumgaraja dhritam kumara²⁰ Dhamadêva Gôvardhanah lekhaf nî l Danârdanah²¹ pâtra
- 32 Gagira sadhu Saharanga(-su?) | Manavridhi-23 svahastò-yam matam= aropaya-
- 33 ti B
 - 1 Read kumdra.
- 1 Read Sadrakah. ³ Read kumára Náyakah.
 - 4 Read sreshthi.
 - Bead &kanumati-; cf. &kamatibhated in Il. 29, 30, and 33 of the Siyadoni inscription (above, Vol. I. p. 177).
 - 7 Read grihnam: Imam. 6 Read siva-nirmalyam-uditam. 10 Read tasy-asy-api.
 - Read brahmana. " Read -tadága.

 - 11 Rend shashtim varsha-sahasrani.
 - 13 Read sarran=evam bhavinah parthivendran bhavo bha-. 18 Rend akas-otpatti.
- Rend yavach=chandras=cha edryas-cha yavat=tishtboli medint ydvat=tu Bhramaraketyo rdju-vamed=p táratd.
 - 15 Read śasanam
- A Read -medhe.

17 Rend -prahandham. 20 Read kumara.

- 18 Read Sati.
- 10 Real kuldyint-ybgint.
- 21 Read Jandrdana. In Bastur and the adjoining Oriya country this name is commonly pronounce Danirdana, and I have found a Tahsildar of Kalahandi who actually writes his name so. All these names shou properly be in the instrumental.
 - 12 Read Manieriddhi.

TRANSLATION.

Om! Hail! (In the reign of the king) born of the race of the Naga (Cobia), which is resplendent with the mass of rays (proceeding from) the jewels in (its) thousand hoods; who 18 lord of Bhogavati, the best of cities; while the space between the ten quarters is resounding with the deep sound from the shrill drums (proclaiming his) brilliant victories; whose crest is a bow and a tiger; who is (as it were) the sun to the lotus (-like) crest jewel of the Chhindaka family; who resembles a bee which is rendered yellow by the mass of the pollen served to the lotus feet of the great Mahôśvara; whose circle of enemics is terrified by the sound of the dundubhi (drum) and turya (musical horn) won from Indra; who is endued with victories gained since a long time; whose banner is the lotus and plantain (leaf) supported on (the back) of Airavata (white elephant); and who is hailed by the sound of conches only; in the year of the (Saka) king 987 expired, in the month of Karttika, during the currency of the Parabhava-samvatsara, in the bright fortnight, on Wednesday, in the Anuradha lunar mansion, in the Saubhagya yoga and Gara karana, in all these anspicious moments, the illustrious Madhurantakadeva, Prince Kanharadeva, Queen Nagala Mahadevi, Prince Nayaka, Nayaka Sudraka, Prince Tungaraja and Sreshthin Puliama, having unanimously agreed, the village Rajapura (situated) in the Bhramarakôtya mandala is granted, after washing the feet and (accompanied) with pouring streams (of water), (and) 70 gadyánaka gold are received in the hand of (by) Medipôta, (who is the head) of the twelve pitrus (persons worthy of receiving gifts). The gift is declared as Sivanirmalya (as sacred as a gift offered to Siva and therefore inviolable), as long as the moon, the stars, etc., endure. If any one from time to time says: "I take it," the result for him also (will be the same as in the case of) breaking a thousand lingus in Bânâras, breaking a thousand tanks, and killing a thousand Brâhmans and a thousand cows.

"He who resumes land given by himself or given by another becomes a worm in ordure for sixty thousand years."

"Common is this religious bridge to princes, and it should be guarded by you from age to age. Thus does Râmachandra again and again conjure all future lords of the earth."

The produce from the heavens, deposits (in the earth) and (wild) elephants are given, but other things outside the village are the State property. So long as the sun and the moon and the earth and the royal race of Bhramarakôtya endure, so long (must this charter be observed). This charter is to be respected in the case of Chhurikùra Modipôta's sons and grandsons.

Nobody enters the chhuriprabandha at the village sacrifice. There is no place for the preceptor of the resident (local) jūginis. For this purpose this village is taken, for the benefit of all creatures, for the purpose of (showing) kindness and (performing) virtue. In the Chakrakôtya mandala the witnesses are:—Nâyaka Śrî Dhârésvara, Mudhaseli, Nagahasti, (and) Karana Dâriā. Written by Dhânûka Kâyastha.

The pen (ongraving stylus) (was) touched by Kumâra Tungarâja, Dhâmadeva, Gôvardhana, Danârdana, Pâtra Gâgirâ (and) Sâdhu Sâhâranga (Sâhârasu?). This is in Manavridhi's hand(writing) (which) sets up (expresses) the (general) opinion.

In Blochman's Ain-i-Akbari, Vol. I. page 122, the following occurs:-

[&]quot;Elsphants are chiefly found in the Sûbah of Agrâ, in the forests of Bayawan and Narwar as far as Berar, in the Sûbah of Allahabad, in the confines of Pattah and Ghoraghat and Ratanpur, Nandanpur, Sargachh and Bastar."

No. 24.—SIHAWA STONE INSCRIPTION OF KARNARAJA.

THE ŚAKA YEAR 1114.

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This inscription is on a slab built into the wall of the Karnésvar, vulgo Kanésar, temple at Sihâwâ, the principal village of the tract of that name in the Dhamtarî taḥṣil of the Raipur District in the Central Provinces. It was first noticed in the Asiatic Researches, Vol. XV. p. 50. and it is referred to by General Cunningham in his Reports, Vol. VII. p. 145. The place dees not seem to have been visited by any archaeologist. The inscription was brought to notice by the District officials, who thought it sufficient to ascertain the date, and the full contents of the record have hitherto remained unknown. I therefore edit it from an ink impression supplied by Mr. Gokul Prasâd Išvardâs, Taḥṣildâr of Dhamtarî, from which a reduced facsimile is reproduced in the accompanying plate.

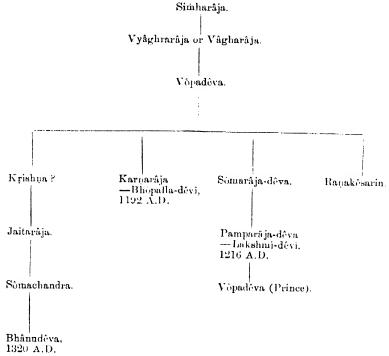
The inscription contains 16 lines covering a space $22'' \times 13\frac{1}{2}''$. The letters are bold and well formed. They are all intact excepting one which is broken off in line 2. Their average size is about $\frac{1}{2}''$. The script is Nâgarî, and the language is Sanskrit. The whole of the inscription is written in verse, except the invocation in the beginning, $Om\ namah\ Sivaya$, and the name of the sitradh dira at the end. There are altogether 13 verses, 4 in the Vasantatilaka metre, Sanskrithah and one Upajati.

The following are the principal orthographical poculiarities:—s is almost invariably used for s. The sign of the avagraha is not used at all (see lines 3, 4 and 15). Letters following an anasovera changed from a masal are doubled (lines 2, 10, and 13). Letters with a replie are sometimes doubled and sometimes not. Instances of doubling may be seen in lines 1 and be, and of non-doubling in lines 2, 3, 4, 5 and 11, while lines 8, 9, 10 and 14 afford instances of both. In conjunct letters n has been used instead of the proper nasal as in panchakam and panyarah in lines 12 and 15. Simha is spelt throughout as simpha, following the usual vulgar prononciation, and, finally, in line 1 the vowel ri is used instead of the ri, tritaya being written as tritaya.

The object of the inscription is to record the construction of five temples, two in his parents' name, two in his own, and one in his issueless brother's, by king Karnaraja of Kakaira, and of one by his wife, queen Bhôpalla-dêvl. These were all built at the sacred place Dêvahrada. The date of the inscription is given in the last verse as Saka 1114, without any other details as to the day or month, etc. The inscription was accordingly written in the year A.D. 1191-92, apparently after the completion of the whole group of temples, and it was put up in one of the king's own temples, in which Siva was enshrined. The other one of those, which he had built for himself was dedicated to Kêśava, who apparently occupied a secondary place in his estimation. The temple in which the slab is found, is still called Kanesar or Karneśvara, after the king's own name. The writer was the sutradhâra Sûpâ, and the composer of the prasasti Nrisimha.

The inscription opers with an invocation of the three-eyed Siva, and in the second verse the moon, as the progenitor of the dynasty, is praised. Then begins the genealogy of the king-commencing with Simharaja, whose son was Vâgharaja, from whom was born Vôpadêva, the father of Karnaraja, who married Bhôpalla-dêvî, and to having conquered all the neighbouring

princes, assumed the title of a paramount sovereign. Combining the information from the other two Kâkaira inscriptions of these Sômavamsi kings we get the following genealogical tree:—



It would appear that Vopadeva had four sons, but the probability is that he had only three, the doubtful Krishna of the Kanker prasasti being probably identical with Karpa of our ascription. Evidently the three brothers were all ruling chiefs, who appear to have divided the state between them and selected their residences in different places, though always keeping in touch with the ancestral capital at Kâkaira and recognising one amongst themselves as over-lord. Karna seems to have had a predilection for a site near the older capital, viz., Sihawa, and was probably living in Dhanôrâ, now in the Bastar State, at a distance of about 28 miles from Sihâwâ. In this village my friend Rai Bahâdur Pandâ Baijnâth, B.A., Administrator of the Bastar State, has recently discovered ancient remains, there being about 20 tanks and 25 mounds, one of which he excavated and found in it a huge Siva linga with beautiful carvings. Dhanôrâ is enclosed by hills on three sides, and is a likely place selected by a Raja for his residence. There is a local tradition that a Râja Kanna ruled there, although the people of that place do not even now know of the existence of any inscription mentioning his name. Somarâja and his son Pamparâja favoured Padi-pattana, which I cannot identify. It was possibly somewhere towards Dhamtari sde. Ranakêsarin was issueless, as our inscription informs us, and he was probably wholly dependent on his brother Karnarâja, as we find the latter building a temple in his name to perpetuate his memory-a thing which he would perhaps have done himself had he been his own master. If he was ruling as a chief subordinate to his brother, we have no information as to

¹ Above, pp. 123 and ff., and 166 and ff.

where he had selected his residence. There can be little doubt that all these branches of the Kākaira family owed allegiance to some other power, which was very probably represented by the Haihaya kings of South Kôśala, as the use of the Kalachuri era by Pamparājadêva would indicate. Karnarāja was apparently more ambitious than the rest. He subdued the neighbouring princes, as our inscription relates, and probably set himself up as an independent ruler in the out-of-the-way jungles; that is perhaps the reason why he used the Śaka era in his inscription instead of the Kalachuri era, thus intimating that he did not acknowledge the Haihaya domination, unless it was customary to use the Kalachuri reckoning in official documents involving disposal of property, etc., while the older Śaka era was used for other religious and general purposes.

The earliest date of this line of kings is that which we get from the present inscription. 1/2, 1192 A.D., and the latest is that of Bhanudeva, 1320 A.D., there being thus a difference of 128 years between Karnaraja and Bhanudeva. Karnaraja stood in the same relationship to Bhânudêva as did the first ancester Simharaja to Karņaraja. Simha was great-grandfather of Karnarâja, the latter being great-grandfather (or great-grandunele) of Bhânudêva, and if a similar interval is allowed between Simha and Karņarāja, Simha's time would be about 1054 A.D. According to this calculation the generations would be very long-lived, about 42 years each on an average, which is hardly probable, though in sporadic cases there would be nothing extraordinary about it. The present Raja family, according to its traditions, believes its first ancestor to have come from Orissa about Vikrama Samvat 1150 or 1093 A.D., and this curiously fits in well with the evidence afforded by the inscriptions under consideration. Apparently, then Simharâja was the first emigrant, and he came about the end of the eleventh century or the beginning of the twelfth. The Raja family story as related before (above, page 124) is to the effect that a Purî king, having become a leper, quitted that place and came to Sihawa, which was merely a dense jungle, where he found a spring of water in which he took a bath which removed his leprosy. He was then installed king of that place, and it is possible that the locality was named after him, being called Simha + arah = Simhawah (the comfort of Simha) which finally was corrupted into Sihawa. From our inscription it appears that it was also known as Dévahrada tirtha or the holy lake of the gods, and there was certainly ample reason³ for calling it so. In fact a large portion of the Sihawa tract seems to have been regarded as a piece of hely land. Local tradition avers that it was the hermitage of the rishi Śringin, who is still worshipped there. Five miles from this place is the village Ratawa where Angara (Angiras) vishi used to live, and Muchukunda had his åårama in the village Mechaka 22 miles from Sihawa. About 10 miles west of Sihawa there is Dêvakûta (the hillock of the gods), which also

¹ It is perhaps more than a coincidence that a king Vyaghraraja of Mahakantara, who must have held sway in the same neighbourhood, is mentioned as early as the fourth century in the Allahabad pillar inscription of Samudragupta, see Gupta Inscriptions, p. 6 ff.

² A variant of the same story is that a Puri king having appointed an illegitimate son of his as his successor, the others took offence and quitted the place. They came over to the wilds of Chlatisgarh and became the leaders of the local fribes, who installed them as their kings. That there is some truth in this story is evident from the fact that the installation of most of these chiefs is considered complete when it is confirmed by a particular tribe, by way of expression of gratitude on the part of the Laja family. Thus the Kanker family seems indeted to the Halbas, the Kalahandî family to the Kandhs, the Rairakhol to the Butka Sudhs, the Bamra to the Bhuiyas, and so on.

³ Besides the healing power of the spring, which in itself is sufficient to cause the place to become a tirthe. Schäwä is the source of the Mahanadi or Chitrotpales, of which it is said:—

Surarnakhya part panasi panasi panasi Marjarakésart, Késalayah trayah punyah punya Chitrétpala nadi. Suvarnapuni is the present Saupur, capital of the state of the same name, and Marjarakésari is another name of Narasiahanath in Borasambhar Zamindari of the Sambalpur District. A visit to that place is held to wipe out all sins. En passant it may be noted that the apparent mistake of a sculptor in carving out a cat-lion instead of a man-lion has metamorphosed the statue of the latter kept in the Narasimhanath cave, into a new incarnation of the God, to account for which there has been no lack of imagination on the part of the local Brahmana.

contains ruins of old temples. At Sihawa there are two old temples close together in a pretty fair state of preservation. One of them, in which our inscription was found, is dedicated to Mahadeva, and it is certainly identical with one of the two mentioned in line 12. The other is dedicated to Râmachandra, but the people say that it was also formerly a Siva temple and that the present statues of Râma and others in it were brought from the ruined temple (about 300 vards away) near the Amrita Kund, a bath in which is reputed to have cured the leprosy of the first Kanker king. One of these must be the temple dedicated to Kêśava. There are three other temples close by, which may possibly be those constructed by Karnaraja in his parents' and brother's name. In the village Bhîtarrâs, which means 'the interior' and which probably formed the interior of the Sihawa town in its days of glory, there is another old temple containing idols not easily distinguishable but stated by the people to represent Ramachandra, etc., and this may possibly be the temple which Bhôpalla-dêvî built. It cannot, however, be confidently identified, the probability for such a conjecture being based on another supposition, viz., that Bhópalla-dêvî was a Vaishņavî, while her lord was a Śaiva. It appears that it was in deference to her that Karņarāja dedicated one of his temples to Kêsava. And as one temple erected in her name was thus built on the holy spring, it seems reasonable to suppose that she should have selected a site for another which she built independently, in the interior of the town.

TEXT.

- 1 भी नमः शिवाय ॥ शतत्पातु वस्तृत्रयमीखरलोचनानामग्न्यक्रीसोममयमूर्त्ति-धरं स-
- भन्तात् । 'यं स्रोकदुःखद इनप्रतिभासनादि[स्ता]प्यायनानि कपयानुदिनं करोति ॥१॥ क्वन्दर्भवा-
- 3 णगणसाणसिलामनोज्ञदिकामिनीवदनदर्पणमण्डलसीः । देवः ससी⁷ विजय
- 4 तपः पयोधिम्[ज्ञाफलं] इरसिरोमुकुटैकरत्नं ॥२॥ धुरूरवःप्रसृतिभिः ऋषैर्यो-वक्षधन्वयः । त-
- 5 स्य तस्मित्रभृद्भप: 10[सिं]घराजो न्द्रपायणी: ॥३॥ 11तस्मादजायत महोपतिमी-लिसंघरर्षघृष्ट-12
- 6 चरणः किल वाघराजः । 13 राजन्यती समभवज्जगती समन्ताद्येन प्रजासिप- छतां भजता नृपेण ॥
- 7 ॥४॥ ¹⁴वोपदेवोभवत्तस्मात्सिंघ: विंघादिवापर: । येन वित्रासिता जग्मु-द्विस: सत्रुतृपद्विपा: ॥५॥

¹ Mr. Gokul Prasad visited these temples lately (November 1907) and has sent me a copy of a small inscription found in one of them, in which I read the name of Sri Vagharaja. Thus the Dovakuta temples appear to be older than those of Sihawa, having been built in the times of Kainaraja's grandfather.

Metre: Vasantatilaka.
 Metre: Vasantatilaka.
 Read वस्त्रित्यमीयर[°].
 Metre: Vasantatilaka.
 Read कन्द्रपैवाणगणशाणशिलामनीय[°].

⁴ Read यत्त्रीका'. 4 Read ंत्री:

⁷ Read आशी. I am indebted to Pandit Hirananda Sastri, M.A., for pointing out that the moon is Atri's son who comes out of the Ocean in the form of his penance.

8 Read शिर्दा

[&]quot; Metre: Anushtubh. Read "भिर्मृपयी ववधे स्वय:.

¹⁰ Read W's".

¹¹ Metre: Vasantatilaka.

¹² Read etates.

¹⁸ Read राजन्यती.

¹⁴ Metre : Anushtabh.

¹⁵ Read (संद: सिंहा".

¹⁶ Read '[발피: 피역.

- स्रीकर्षराजन्द्रपतिविदितप्रताप: 8 'तस्राद्वभृत्रपतिमण्डलमण्डनस्री: नक्षपाण्भ-
- ³काकैरदेसममलं यात्रवेष्टं कलि: समर्थः 11 & 11 भोपष्ठदेवीति मिष्णि वरवर्षिनी
- चितिगतामिव यांक्रीको लक्सीं ⁶स्ववाह्वीर्येण 11011 विजित्य पार्लदेशाधिपतीसाम-
- न्तात । सेवाकरोपायनदानसीलांचकार 11 सामाज्यपदं दधान: "तोष्ट टेवच्चटे तेन क्रतं प्रासा-
- दपन्तकं । स्वीयं तत्र ह्यं जातं यत्र शंकरकेसवी 10 11211 "पित्रभ्यां प्रदर्श चान्यत्कारयित्वा दयं नृप:
- 13 देवदेवस्य मनोद्वारि त्रिस्दनः(गूलिनः) ॥१०॥ "रणकेसरिणे प्रादांवृपार्यंक" । 15 तहंसचीण-सरालयं
- भात् स्ने हेन कार्षराट् ॥११॥ 16 भी पक्षदेव्याः तचैव ज्ञाला । भर्तः संस्नेष-18
- 15 ¹⁹प्रन्यत**स्त्**या मिक्टन्या देश्वत: 118311 चतहंसी तरे 20 वर्डतां मर्व्वती नित्यं
- स्तिना स्ता न् सिंघे²¹ n१३॥ स्वधारि:*ो

TRANSLATION.

Om! Salutation to Siva.

(Verse 1.) Let that triad of eyes of Siva, consisting of fire, sun and moon, protect you en all sides-(that triad) which out of kindness burns the miseries of this world (and) illuminates and pleases it daily.

- (V. 2.) May the god moon be victorious—(the moon) who is a good whetstone for sharpening the arrows of Cupid, who is (the embediment of) the splendour on the orb of the mirror (-like) faces of the maidens of the (various) quarters of the sky, who is a pearl from the ocean (emanating in the form of) Atri's penance, and (who is) the only jewel on the crest of Siva's head.
- (V. 3.) In that (moon's) family which prospered through Pururavas and other kings there was a king Simharaja who was the leader of (other) kings.
 - ¹ Metre: Vasantatilaka. Read तखाइ॰ ারী: মাণ
 - Read of ano.
 - ^ Metre: Upajāti. Read 國明官

 - " Metre : Anashtubh,

 - 11 Metre: Anushtubh
 - 14 Read प्रादान
 - 17 Read 114;

- ' Read पश्चमं,

4 Metre : Anushtubh.

- 12 Bead Cस्तारियत्वा.
- 15 Read agno. ¹⁸ Rend संश्लेष⁰.
- 20 Metre: Anusbtubh. Rend चतुईश्रीतर स्थिनेकादश्चे शते श्रवे

- ² Read यद्याय⁰.
- 5 Read बभव.
- 7 Read outlento.
- 10 Read anal.
- 18 Metre: Anushtubh.
- 16 Metre: Anushtubh.
- 19 Read your o.
- 21 Read मुसिंह⁰.

तमग्रसाः शक्तमञ्जू IK MOHOLOGE

- (V. 4.) From him was born Vagharaja, whose feet were indeed scratched by the friction of diadems (adorning the heads) of (other) kings (prostrating themselves before him). By (this) king, who was devoted to his subjects like a father, the world came to be well-ruled on all sides.
- (V. 5.) From this lion as it were was born Vôpadêva, another lion, frightened by whom the elephant like hostile kings went (i.e. retired) to the (various) cardinal points (of the compass).
 - (V. 6.) From him was born the illustrious Karnadêva (who was) the splendour (aderning) assembly of kings, whose glory was (well) known, and through fear of whose sword in the of dispensation of justice the Kali (age) was unable to enter the spotless Kâkaira country.
 - V. 7.) His queen was the beautiful Bhôpalladêvi, whom the people considered as if she b-Lakshmî (goddoss of wealth) come to this earth.
 - (V. 8.) Having completely conquered the lords of all the neighbouring countries by the co of his aem and having secured paramount sovereignty (over them), (he) caused them to ome devoted to his service, to pay tribute and presents and to become charitable.
 - (V. 9.) In the holy place Dêvahrada five edifices were built by him. Two of them were own, where Śańkara and Kêśava (are enshrined).
- (V. 10.) The king, having caused two other temples of the god of gods, the holder of the trident, to be built bestowed them on (i.e. dedicated them in the name of) his parents.
- (V. 11.) One temple Karnaraja gave to (i.e. dedicated in the name of) king Ranakesarin, through fraternal affection, knowing that his lineage was to become extinct.
- (V. 12.) There, an auspicious temple was also caused to be built by Bhôpalla-dévi, who wished for the union with her husband (both) in body as well as in meritorious acts.
- (V. 13.) This (was done) in the Saka year eleven hundred increased by fourteen. Let prosperity daily attend. Composed by the clever Nrisimha.

The Sûtradhâra (architect) was Sûpâ (?).

No. 25.-VASANTGADII INSCRIPTION OF VARMALATA;

[VIKRAMA] SAMVAT 682.

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Last year a summary of this inscription was published by Prof. Kielhorn,² with a promise to publish the full text on some future occasion. The impressions sent by Paudit Gaurishaukar Birachand Ojha of Udaipur were not sufficiently clear for that purpose. During the touring season ending March 1906, my work chiefly lay in the Sirohi State. I was thus able to inspect the original stone in person and take the best possible impressions. When the summary was afterwards published on my return to head-quarters, I sent my impressions to Prof. Kielhorn. But, as circumstances arose which prevented him from publishing them, the impressions were

¹ In the original the word is frishnah which I originally read as trishdanah. Dr. Konow has suggested the correction adopted in the text.

³ Göttinger Nachrichten, 1906, H. 2.

returned to me. This is, indeed, to be regretted, as no other scholar could have done better justice to this important inscription.

The inscription was originally discovered at Vasantgadh, about five miles to the south of Pindwara, which is the principal town of the district of the same name, Sirohi State, and which is also a station on the Rajputana-Malwa Railway running from Ahmedabad to Ajmer. The stone was lying utterly neglected outside the shrine of Khimel mitti recently repaired, of which I was told, it originally formed part. Vasantgadh itself is now desolated, but many people the Sirohi State come there to pay their homage to the goddess. The shrine is looked after the Bhils of the adjoining hamlets, and they had for a long time utilised the stone for sharps their implements. As soon as the news of the find of this ancient inscription stone reached ears of Pandit Sukhanandji, an antiquary of Sirohi, he hastened to the spot, took it into his session, and brought it to Sirohi. It is now lying in safe custody in his house.

The inscription contains 17 lines of writing, which covers a space about 1' 13" broad 1' 13" high. The writing is, on the whole, well-preserved, but the proper right portion of it i little worn, which is doubtless due to its having been used for whetting weapons. Again, there two or three cracks running herizontally across the inscription and injuring a few of letters in lines 1, 2, 10 and 11, but, with care, nearly the whole of the inscription can be made out with certainty on the original stone.

The size of the letters varies from $\frac{3}{4}''$ to $\frac{3}{26}''$. The characters belong to the northern class of alphabets, which was prevalent during the 7th and 8th centuries. The chief peculiarity of this type is the representation of the medial vowels a, i, i and the four diphthongs far more frequently by superscript signs placed above the letters than by vertical strokes attached to the sides of the letters to which they belong. This is clearly noticeable c.g. in the Udaipur inscription of the Guhila prince Aparajita, the Jhalrapatan inscription of Durgagana, and the Kansuvâm inscription of Dhavala; and this characteristic is exhibited by our inscription also. The characters of our record are, as pointed out by Professor Kielhorn, almost identical with those of the Udaipur inscription. As in the latter, we have the tridented form of the letter y and a distinct separate sign for b. The letter y occurs in the present record no less than thirty times, and, in all these cases except one, the tridented form alone is employed. In this exceptional case (in yôganidra, l. 1) like that in the Udaipur inscription, the letter is indicated by the old sign occurring, e.g. in the Maukhari inscriptions. We also have special forms for final k, t, and n. In the Udaipur epigraph, final t and m are represented by ordinary signs for those letters with a small horizontal stroke placed above each. Here, on the other hand, final k, t, and n are denoted by their usual signs, but with the tops a little curved towards their proper right (e.g. in vanik, 1. 10, "sakrit, 1. 3, and gunan, 1. 6). The sign for the upadhmaniya occurs three times in "nripatilipati', l. 4, and priyah priyah prakray-âdi', l. 7. The jihvâmûliya occurs only once, in vachanayutaili kā [ryya]o, l. 4. Again, our inscription shows a tendency to use some signs with a little ornamentation. Thus, the anusvara is often represented, not by a simple dot but by something like an asterisk (e.g. in satatain, l. 3). The superscript signs of medial vowels are also sometimes ornamentally engraved (e.g. an in orasy-ajan, 1, 3.) We further find the somewhat rare signs for i, dh, th and ph. With regard to th, it deserves to be noted that it is exactly like dh (e.g. in brāhman-ātithio, 1. 8), and can only be distinguished by having regard to the sense of the word wherein it occurs.

The language of the inscription is Sanskrit, and, excepting the words ôm namah at the commencement and the list of the names of the goshthikas contained in lines 13-17, the text is in verse. Solecisms are not infrequent. I need only point out the verse (11) which specifies the date, the language of which is anything but grammatical. In respect of orthography, the following points may be noticed. Consonants are, as a rule, don'ted at isanya followed by see changed to that letter; ri has once been substituted for ri, in 'srinya', l. 1; on the other hand,

ri stands for ri in ${}^{\circ}kriy\hat{a}^{\circ}$, 1. 3; lastly, t has at least twice been doubled in conjunction with a following r_i in ${}^{\circ}r\hat{a}ttr\hat{a}^{\circ}$, 1. 2, and ${}^{\circ}m\hat{a}ttrai^{\circ}$, 1. 4.

The inscription opens with two verses, the first invoking the blessings of Durgâ and the second of Kshêmâryâ, who is ordinarily supposed to be a form of Durgâ, and who here, in particular, is to be identified with Khimel mitti, outside whose temple the inscription stone was lying before it was removed to Sirohi, and of which it originally formed part. Verse 3 speaks

a king named Varmalata, on whom the next verse bestows nothing but conventional praise, paring him to a sorecrer, as pointed out by Prof. Kielhorn. Verse 5 informs us that malata had a feudatory of the name of Vajrabhata-Satyaśraya, who was devoted to the ship of mitti, i.e. doubtless Kshemarya, and able to guard the son of Himavat," i.e. Mount 5û. His son was Râjjila (v. 6), who behaved like Vaisravaņa, i.e. Kubêra, the god of riches, Vata, by lavishing wealth on Brâhmanns, personages deserving hospitality, subordinates, and in skilled in arts (v. 7). While this chief (rajan) was governing, the templo of the goddess ishêmâryâ) was caused to be made by the goshthia at Vaṭākarasthāna (v. 8). The kārāpaka4 lected by the goshthi to see this work through was Satyadeva, the son of Pitamaha, who was merchant by birth (v. 9). Then follows a verse expressing a wish for the endurance of the imple as long as the mountain Mêru, the rivers, the sun and the moon last. Then follows the verse which contains the date. The language of it, however, to quote Prof. Kielhorn, is 'curiously ungrammatical.' Making allowance for the selecisms, the year intended appears to be 682. As almost all the dates of the inscriptions found in Malwa and Rajputana, the era of which is not specified and which are capable of being verified, have been shown to belong to the Vikrama era, our date may be taken to be a Vikrama year, and may, therefore, be supposed to be equivalent to A.D. 625. It was in this year, as verse 11 informs us, that the temple of mitti was crocted. The prasasti was composed by the Brahmana Dhurtarasi, the son of Divakara, and incised by Nügamundin (v. 12). Then follows a list of the individual members of the $y \hat{o}shthi$ who built the temple, their names occupying lines 13-17. Of these, three deserve some notice. The first is that of the only woman who was a momber of the goshthi. Her name is Bûta, and she is spoken of as a courtezan (attached to the temple) of Sri-mita, i.e. undoubtedly the

In the verse the words Kshêmáryyá Kshêmákari occur, of which the latter is taken by Prof. Kielhorn to be the name of the goldess. And this appears no doubt to be supported by the fact that Kshêmakari or Kshêmankari is actually the name of a goddess. But then the romaining word Kshêmáryyá, which cannot be an adjective, remains unexplained. The final áryyá, which is the Sanskrit equivalent of ái, mother, frequently applied to goddesses, shows that Kshêmáryyá is the name intended. Moreover, Kshêma is as much a mane for Durga as Kshêmakari.

In addition to the verse referred to (viz., above Vol. I. p. 234, verse 5) by Prof. Kielhorn in support of Mount Âbû (Arbuda) being called "son of Himavat," it may be mentioned that, in the Arbuda-mihitmya also, a copy of which exists in the Pustaka prakāsā at Jödhpur, Arbuda has been spoken of as a son of Himālaya and as being put by the latter at the service of the sage Vasishtha to fill up a deep wide chasm, into which his cow had fallen.

The word goshtht no doubt signifies, by itself, a panch or committee entrusted with the management of the religious endowments, as was first pointed out by Prof. Bühler (above, Vol. I. p. 190, n. 50), though in compound words, such as pandita-goshthi, pana-goshthi, and so forth, it has the general sense of "an assembly."

⁴ The proper sense of this word was first shown by Prof. Kielhorn (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 62, n. 53). This meaning was not known to me when I edited the Eklingji inscription, where I have wrongly translated the word by "those who caused the temple to be constructed" (Jour. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XXII. pp. 152-3) instead of "persons appointed to look after the construction of the temple."

The inscription says that the temple of Kshemarya was built by the gishthi of Vata or Vatakara, i.e. Vasantgadh, and that Bata was one of the members of this gishthi. Pata, as we have seen, was a conrectant of the temple of Kshemarya, and she could only acquire this position after, and not before, the crection of the temple. Nobody would appoint a courtexan to a temple to do the duties of dancing and singing before the deity, before it was constructed, and much less would she be raised to such a dignified position as the membership of the gishthi prior to the actual building of the temple itself. I am, therefore, somewhat inclined to think that the temple was not built, but rebuilt, by the gishthi, and that the worl kiirila in verse 8 has to be taken in the latter sense Instances of a similar use are not wanting.

milli to whom the temple was dedicated. The second name is Pratîhâra Bôṭaka, the first of which words I think signifies the race. Bôṭaka was thus a Pratîhâra, i.e. Paḍiār, and this is the earliest instance of the denomination Pratîhâra occurring in an inscription. The third name is raijastheiniya Âdityabhaṭa, the first part of which is unquestionably an official designation, meaning the foreign secretary.

Prof. Kielhorn thinks that the name of Varmalata spoken of in our inscription as paramount sovereign settles the data of the poet Magha. It would be impossible not to agree wi him when he says, that, out of the numerous forms found in the manuscripts of the Sisupe vadha, of the name of the king at whose court Mågha's grandfather Suprabhadêva is stated have held the office of prime-minister, the variant Varmalata is to be selected as the most like one. But to the identification of this prince with the Varmalata of our inscription, supposing the date V.E. 682 to be correct, it is possible to raise an objection. As every student who hr read the Sisupilaradha knows, Magha in his work distinctly alludes to the two grammatics treatises, the Kdśikdryitti and its commentary called Nydsa. The former is the joint production of Jayaditya and Vamana, and, with regard to the former author, the Chinese traveller I-tsing informs us in unmistakeable terms that he died about A.D. 661-662. It should, moreover, ba borne in mind that the author of the Nyisa was Jinendrabuddhi, who like Jayaditya was a follower of the Buddha. And it is inconceivable that I-tsing, one of whose principal objects in coming to India was to collect information about Buddhist authors, could have passed him over in silence, if the latter had flourished before A.D. 695 when the Chinese traveller's departure from India took place. The conclusion is, therefore, irresistible that the author of the Nydsa could not have lived before the first half of the 8th contury. Magha, therefore, has to be assigned to the latter part of the 8th century. This line of argument adduced by Prof. Pathak3 appears to me to be worth considering. Dr. Konow, however, informs me that he does not think it convincing. He says, "the argumentum ex silentio is always unsafe, and, even if we admit that Jinandrabuddhi cannot have written before A.D. 695, that does not disprove Professor Kielhorn's identification of our Varmalâta with the king whose minister Mâgha's grandfather was. Our inscription may very well date from a time previous to his appointment as minister, and it does not, at any rate, make it impossible to bring Magha down to the first twenty years of the 8th century. There is nothing to hinder us from supposing that Jinêndrabuddhi flourished about A.D. 700. The alleged reference to his work in the Sisupalavadha would, I think, be more intelligible if we suppose it to have been a new work at the time when Magha wrote his poem."

I quite accept Dr. Konow's main conclusions. But I agree with Professor Pathak that the argumentum ex silentic carries some weight in this particular instance. One of the chief objects I-tsing had in view was to gather all available information about Buddhist authors in India. And, when we consider that he has even mentioned his own contemporaries, it is very unlikely that he should have failed to notice Jinêndrabuddhi, if the latter had actually achieved fame in his time. As pointed out by Dr. Konow, there is, however, nothing to prevent us from considering Mâgha and Jinêndrabuddhi as contemporaries. The mere fact that one author quotes another one, only shows that he knows him, and not necessarily that he belongs to a later time. Mâgha and Jinêndrabuddhi can, therefore, very well both have lived at the beginning of the eighth century, and Professor Kielhorn's identification of the two Varmalâtas remains unaffected by Professor Pathak's argument.

3 Jour. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XX, pp. 305-6.

¹ History of Gujarat in the Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. 1. Pt. I. p. 82.

² It might perhaps be doubted whether Jineudrabuddhi was a Buddhist. But there are no reasonable grounds for this doubt. A Decean College manuscript (No. 33 of 1881-82, leaf 90b) has the following: Iti bodhisattvadésty-achárga-Drije(Jiné)ndrabutdhi(ddhi)-virachitáyáin Kdsiká-vivaran-vanhchikáyáin dvitty-ddhydyasya chaturthah pádah. I am indebted to Prof. Pathak for this reference. See als Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 57.

The place Vata, where the feudatory prince Rajjila was reigning, is doubtless Vasantgadh itself. This will be seen from the fact that the temple to Kshêmâryâ, said in the inscription to have been built by the goshthi of Vata, is no other than the temple of Khimel milti in Vasantgadh of which the inscription stone originally formed part. This conclusion is confirmed by the fact that the temples dedicated to the Sun and Brahmâ mentioned as existing in Vatapura in the inscription of Pûrnapâla dated V.E. 1099, are still existing at Vasantgadh. A slightly different name for the place, viz. Vatakara, occurs in 1.9. We have a similar instance of a certain old place called both Arasana and Arasanakara. The remains at Vasantgadh have been fully described and the question regarding the name Vata and Vatakara is fully discussed in the Progress Report of the Archeological Survey of India, Western Circle, for the months July 1905 to March 1906, inclusive, pp. 49 ff.1

TEXT 2

- योने: 'कैलासोचांक् श्रिक्षप्रतिनियतसुदावासिनीक्षेक्षसत्ता [।*]
- 2 राचिसार्व्यलोके स्नातिरपि च सतां या व्यतिब्रह्मगीता सा प्रदिशत जगते मङ्गलानी इदर्गी: । [१*] नियतमतिप्रण्तिप-
- रस्याजी यागी 'कयाफलेप्वसकत [1*] चेमार्थ्या चेमकरी विदधात नस्रततं⁷ ॥ [२*] जयति जयलक्मल्वितवक्यस्थलसंत्रितत्रियाधारः" [1*] यी-
- वर्गालातन्त्रपति

 पतिरवनेरिधकवलवीर्यः ॥ [३*] केचिलान्देशमाकैरतिविश्दपद[®] मद्रया पारगंचां केचिचान्ये प्रकासं प्रतिवचनयतैक्क[ा]
- क्रतबलिक इक्वेर्भ तिदानेन [र्थ्योजापैरजस्रं [।*] ऋन्ये वै मण्डलान्त तेनेत्यं सवरेन्द्रवतमनुचरता ग्रासिता भूमिपाला:"॥ [४*] तस्यागेषविग्रे-
- [ष]दोषरिहताम्पशाति (1) माम्ना वज्रभटेति भक्त्या गुणान कीर्त्तिमतामलघ्यचरितः12 मात्रित्य [1*] ख्यात: सत्यात्रय: रप्यर्क्जने14 किंव
- 7 [जा]तगुणः प्रभुर्हिमवतस्मृनीख संरचणे¹ ।(॥) [५*] तस्य सुनुरिधकं प्रिय× प्रियें अप्रत्ययादिसकलैर्भा हागुणै । * । * । राज्जिली भवदशेषराजकव्याप्तकी-

¹ lu l. 9 of the Vasantgadh inscription of Pürnapâla, Vata is also spoken of as the name of a country. In are 17 of the mald-kt-sal inscription found at Ghatiyala (Jour. R. As. Soc. 1895, p. 518), the expression Vadavinaya mandala occurs. This is doubtless identical with Vata-Nanaka-mandala. Here the country or district s not called simply after Vata (Vasantgadh) but also after Nanaka which evidently is the present Nana, about birteen miles north-cast of it.

² From the original stone.

^{&#}x27; Read केलासीबाङ्गबङ्ग'.

⁶ Read fmuno.

⁸ Expressed by a symbol.

B Read द्रार्ग ; metre : Sragdharâ

Metre: Arya; and also of the verse following.

⁸ Wrong for ^oजयाधार: which would not have suited the metre.

[&]quot; Read ेपदैर्माद्रया. " Metre : Sragdhard.

¹⁰ Read °गम्या.

¹² Read ⁰मलुङ्ख्य⁰.

¹¹ The letter ष्य is not in the same line with **र** and र्क, but is engraved exactly below between these two letters, and two vertical strokes are added one above and one below between them to draw attention to the emission.

[&]quot; Read, probably of instead of od.

¹⁶ Read "गुर्चे:.

¹⁵ Metre : Sârdûlavikrîdita.

- र्त्तिरमले कुलै नृपः¹ [॥*] [६*] ब्राह्मणातिष्टिश्रत्यादिकलावस्, विशेषत² ⁴श्राखवटे वैत्रवणायते⁶ ³दविगी [*] देव्याश्रासति राज्यं
- वटाकरस्थानि[।*] गोष्ठ्या कारितमेतद्भवनं भुवनस्य चिक्कमिव° कारापकस्त् सुनुः पितामद्वाख्यस्य सत्यदेवाख्यः [।*] गीष्ठ्या प्रसादपर्या निर्दापती ज-
- [न्म]ना स वणिक् ।(॥) [८*] यावन्मेरीस्तटानि प्रचुरद्विसकणोत्तर्फ्रशैलाधिषः स्यन्दि[न्यो] यावदु[चा] चपगतक[लु]षा — 🗸 यावज्ञन्दार्कभास-
- [स्म्]तरलजलर्धिक]र्म्मयो यावदुचैस्ताव[द्दे]वालयं [निस्थि]तिमद्द भवतु 'त्रेयक 11 "वीरजानां° ॥ [१०*] द्विरशीत्यधिके काले षग्णां वर्षश्रतीन्तरे ण[।*] जगमात-
- ¹⁰[रिटं] स्[थ]ानं स्था[पि]तं [गो]<u>ष्ठिपक्</u>तेः¹¹ ॥ [११*] दिवाकरसृतस्थे 12 धूनराशेदिजनानः [i*] पूर्वितिमदुभिर्वणीं: प्रोत्कीण्णी नागमण्डिन [II] [१२*] III ·!III
- [।] राजिल । बकट । चन्द्रक [गो] हिका स्र¹³ 13 राजस्थानीयादित्यभट । जा(१)व(१)र्ग्णे । मातुदासवक्रदेव । कुलवर्षन। धनदत्त[ब]स् [1]
- घघक । धोन्धकपुत्रसत्यदेव । ककिलक । धनदत्त । गोमिक । । पपोष्ट । सत्यदेव । रैभिलाक । रितदास [ब]पक 1 -- - - इत
- । बपाण्टि । धनगर 15 दनभिल्वमालक्षय । खिलकु । भार्यदिण्ड गुर्वरटनाग — —
- बङ्गदास । श्रीमातागणिका भिलमालकु । सत्तमदेव 16 बूटानाम्त्रो ॥ ॥ ॥ एवसेघां गीष्ठिकाराणां

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¹ Metre : Rathoddhata.

⁻ Boad fanda ..

र Read द्रविणे:"

[·] Read प्रायादरी.

⁵ Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁷ The letter U is engraved below the line.

[&]quot; Metre: Arya; and also of the verse following. The word pauraja is cuvicus, but it probably means "descendants of the citizens (of Vata)."

¹⁰ The aksharas of€ are very indistinct. 2 Metre : Srugdhara.

¹¹ Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

¹² Read 'राशिकि'. 14 Read नामानि.

¹³ Read गोष्टिका चन्न.

About five letters have been incised in cursive form, but I am unable to read them.

No. 26. — DAULATABAD PLATES OF THE RASHTRAKUTA SANKARAGANA; SAKA-SAMVAT 715.

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These plates were in the possession of a Tongawalla, named Bhan Devram Bhat, a Brahmakshatri by caste, and residing at Daulatâbâd, in the Nizam's territory. They seem to have been preserved as heirloom in his family, and, according to the account given by him, it appears that they were given to his great-grandfather as a sanad. The plates were obtained on loan by me from the owner through Maulvi Syed Mohammad Bilgrami, First Talakdar, Aurangâbâd district, who was kind enough to accode to my request promptly.

There are three plates, each of which measures about $7\frac{1}{8}$ " long by about 5' broad. The first plate is inscribed on one side only, and the remaining ones on both sides. The edges of the inner sides of them are fashioned slightly thicker so as to protect the writing, and the inscription is, on the whole, in a state of almost perfect preservation. The plates are strong on a circular ring, the ends of which are joined together by means of a knob bearing a roughly round seal, containing, in relief on a countersunk surface, a representation of Garada, squatting and facing full-front; his hands are joined palm to palm on the chest, and are turned upwards; his legs rost one upon the other, and two projections at the sides denote his wings.

The characters of the original inscription belong to the northern class of alphabets prevailing in the 8th century. With regard to the forms of individual letters, attention may be drawn to d. e.g. in Ast?, 1, 2; to n, white looks almost exactly like m, e.g. in "pulina", 1, 12; to hya in bhanga, 1, 14; to nka in Srî-Sankaraya narêja, 1, 27; to rya in rîryê, 1, 20; and to nche in pairchable?, 1. 35. The alphabet also includes signs for the numerals 7, 1, and 5 in line 41. The last sign is almost exactly like that for 5 given in the Samangadh grant of Dantidurga, where the date is also expressed in words. No reasonable doubt can, therefore, be entertained as to the correct reading of the date of our inscription. The language is Sanskvit. Up to almost the close of line 24 the inscription is in verse, and two benedictive and imprecatory verses occur in lines 38-40; the rest is in prose. The number of verses at the beginning is 12. Of these, verses 1-9 also occur in other early Rashtrakûta records. The remaining three verses are peculiar to this inscription, and are historically important. The whole of line 31 after the word vra(bra)hmachari and a part of the line following have unquestionably been tampered with. They contained names of the doneo and the village granted, which have been cancelled and replaced by new ones by heating the plates and beating in the letters originally engraved. The boundaries of this new village are specified after about the middle of line 42, where the original inscription really ends, down to line 55. The letters of these lines are as carelessly written and are of exactly the same type as those incised in lines 31-32 just referred to. Lines 42-55 are thus a continuation of the forgory commenced in lines 31-32. In respect of orthography, the letter b is throughout denoted by the sign for r; there is an indifference about the doubling of consonants after r; the visarga is often wrongly omitted; the vowel ri is employed instead of riin bhupas=trivishtapa, 1. 5, Kanakidrir iv=Hndrardjah, 1. 8, and priy-i[tma*]jah, 1. 24; the letter gh is employed instead of h once in raja-simghah, l. 4; and an anusvara in conjunction with a following n is changed to that letter once in dhrastin-nayao, 1, 2.

The inscription records a grant by Samaravalôka-ŝri-Ŝańkaragaṇa-raja of the Rashtrakûṭa family. In the introductory metrical portion, his genealogy is given, beginning with Góvinda-raja I. The genealogy set forth as far as Kṛishṇaraja I. is in verses 1-9 which, as already said, are to be met with in many other grants of this dynasty, and which consequently teach us nothing new. It then describes Gôvinda II. in the following words in verse 10, occupying Il. 19-21 and bearing a double entendre: "His son was king Gôvindaraja who was like Hari (Kṛishṇa) inasmuch as both were fond of battles, inasmuch as the former was celebrated for

having snatched away the glory of \hat{s} rî-Pârijâta just as the latter was for having carried off th_0 greatness of the auspicious parijata (tree), and inasmuch as the prowess of his arms was shown by the former by supporting Govardhana just as it was shown by the latter by uplifting the Govardhana (mountain)." The mythological sense is clear enough, and, besides, the verse seems to show that Govinda II. defeated a king of the name of Parijata, and made alliance with, and espoused the cause of, another prince called Gôvardhana. The names Pârijâta and Gôvardhana are new, and have not so far been met with in epigraphic records. Then follows a verse (11), which is as important as it is unfortanately corrupt. But if the emendations proposed by me are accepted, the following appears to be its sense: "His younger brother was Nirupama, who, on perceiving him self-conceited, abandoned by (feudatory) princes, and even deprived of policy assumed the royal authority placed (in the hands of a person) other than one possessed of devetion for the elders, in order that the sovereignty might not deviate from the family." What the verso means is that Govinda II, was a self-concoited ruler and resorted to bad policy, which resulted in the regal authority being held by a person who had no respect for the Rashtrakûta sovereigns that preceded him, and consequently created disaffection amongst his foundatory chieftains, who deserted him, and that Dhruva-Nirupama fearing that the sovereignty would pass away to another dynasty, was compelled to take the roins of the government into his hands and thus rule over his brother's dominions. The Deoli and Karhad grants of Krishna III., however, give a slightly different account. They record that "sensual pleasures made Gôvindaraja careless of the kingdom, and that, entrusting fully the universal sovereignty to his younger brother. Nirupama, he allowed his position as sovereign to become loose." The discrepancy in the two accounts is with regard to whether Dhruva-Nirupama was actually entrusted by Govinda II. with the management of the kingdom, the Dôôlî and Karhâd grants saying that it was so, but our inscription implying that it was not so, as it was left to the care of one who was anything but attached to the Rashtrakuta family. But the facts, the actual occurrences, mentioned in our charter, which is the earlier of the two and consequently more reliable, could not have been distorted, though the motives might have been coloured and differently expressed; and hence what most probably happened was that Gövinda II, gave himself up to sensual pleasures and allowed the government of his kingdom to slip into the hands of a person other than Dhrava, and not of Dhruva himself, as the Déòli and Karhâd grants claim, and whether it was to remove the danger thereby caused to the stability of the Rashtrakûta supremacy, as the motive is stated in our inscription, or, what is more likely, his mind lusted after severeignty, for securing which a splendid opportunity had presented itself when Govinda II. gave himself up to vicious courses, Dhruva-Nirupama was successful in making himself ruler of his brother's dominions.

Verse 12 informs us that the paternal uncle of (Dhruya-)Nirupama was Srî-Nanna, brother of Srî-Krishnaraja and son of Srî-Kakkarâja. Then follows the preamble of the present passage which usually procedes the formal part of a copper-plate inscription, and therein the

¹ I have taken the word uddharana in the sense of "uplifting, upholding," but it also signifies "eradication extermination." In that case it would mean that Govinda II, slew a prince of the name of Govardhana. Or it Govardhana is here supposed to denote a province, it would mean that he devastated the province of Govardhana A province and a place of that name have been mentioned in the Nasik cave inscriptions, and have also been spoken of in the Puranas. But whether the name was extant so be as the 8th century is doubtful. A similar play upon the word Govardhana occurs in the Bagumra grants of Indraraja III. (above, Vol. 1X. pp. 32 and 36).

This discrepancy may perhaps be removed by putting a different interpretation on the words: guru-blakte-mató nyasaństham. It might be said that the person who had no respect for the elders, i.e. the Rāshirakira sovereigns who were dead, and in whose hands the sovereignty lay, was no other than Gôvinda II. himself. It might be argued that the no agement of the kingdom had actually been entrusted to Dhruva by him on account of his sensual courses, as the Dioli and Karhād plates claim, and that the motive Rutstrakûta kingdom was that he shown himself vinworthy of his olders, i.e. the sovereigns who preceded him, by abandoning himself to sensual pleasures and not himself carrying on the administration of his kingdom. In my opinion, this interpretation would be far-fetched and fantastic.

name of the grantor Samarâvalôka-Śri-Śankaragana-râja is specified, and he is mentioned as son of Sri-Nanna just referred to. It is worthy of note that no titles have been coupled with his name. He was thus not even a feudatory chieftain. It is, therefore, no wonder that he is spoken of as issuing the charter with the express consent of Sri-Kalivallabha Narendradeva. The latter was doubtless an epithet of (Dhruva-)Nirupama, who was then the paramount sovereign and whose cousin Sankaragana was. The proper object of the inscription is stated in 11. 28-33, but, as said above, the names of the original donce and the village granted to him which were engraved in II. 31-32, have been erased, and new ones incised in characters which, though old, are not quite legible. The only particular which has survived of the original grantee is that he had omigrated from Tenvi, and the expression tat-pada-pajartham gurudalshimi, which occurs in 1, 33, shows that he was the preceptor of Sankaragana. Lines 34-36 contain a request to future rulers to respect the donation, and threaten with spiritual punishment those who might rescind it. Lines 37-40 quote two of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses. And the original inscription then concludes thus: "And this charter was written by Chandayika by order of the supreme ruler, when 715 years had elapsed in accordance with the era of the Saka Kings." The supreme ruler here alluded to is (Druva-) Nirupama, and the Saka year 715 must consequently refer to his reign. The earliest record—the Paishan grant - of his son and successor Govinda III, is dated in Saka 716. It is thus plain that (Dhruva-) Nirupama could not have lived long after Saka 715 when our grant was made.

After this commences the second part of the forgod record. It has been mentioned above that the names of the grantee and the village granted engraved in the original inscription in lines 31-32 have been crased, and new ones substituted for them by beating in the previous letters. The name of the new grantee cannot be made out, but his gôtra specified is Bharadvaja. Secondly, the name of the new village incised appears to be something like Samira. And it is the boundaries of this village that are now specified in lines 42-53 after the completion of the old genuine inscription. The names are written so carclessly and the composition is so full of grammatical inaccuracies that it is not possible to be here definite about anything. In line 52 is given the expression valu(lla)bha-naréndra which is an epithet generally borne by the Rashtrakûta rulers. The connection of this expression, however, with what precedes and follows is not clear. The forged document ends with Sri-Bhatah (ti) rka-matah | 800. The name Bhatarka reminds one of the inscriptions of the Valabhi princes, and if the numerals taken for \$00 are correctly read and represent a date, as is highly probable, it must be referred to the Valabhi era, and it thus becomes equivalent to A.D. 1119 which may be taken to be the date of the fabrication of the forged record. Our copper-plate charter, as has been said at the outset, was in the possession of a person from Daulatâbâd, a Brahmakshatrî by caste, and has been preserved in his family as heirloom. As Brahmakshatris in the Dekkan are known originally to have come from Kâthiâwâr, it is not unlikely that somehody in his family, after securing these plates. tampered with them in order to use them as documentary evidence to strengthen his otherwise disputable claim to the village therein mentioned, and it is but natural that he should engrave the name Bhatarka after the manner of the Valabhi plates which he must have either seen himself in Kûthiawar or known about from his forefathers.

TEXT.

First Plate.

स वोव्याद्वेधसी³ धाम यवाभिक्रमलं कतं

¹ From the original plates.

² Expressed by a symbol.

- कलया कमलंक्षतं ॥ [१*] 'आसोइपत्तिमरमुद्यतमण्डलायो ध्वस्तिवयं-'
- त्रभिमुखो रणमर्व्वरीषु [।*] भूप: ग्रुचि: पृष्यरिवाप्तदिगमुक्तीर्त्ति शोविन्दः
- राज इति राजसु राजसिंघ: १।(॥) [२*] तस्यात्मजो जगित विश्वतदीर्धकी हि
- रार्त्तातिकारिक्वरिविक्रमधामधारी । मृत्यस्त्विष्टपत्रपानुकतिः
- कतन्त्र: त्रीककराज इति गोत्रमणिर्व्वभूव⁰ । (॥) [३*] तस्य प्रभिन्न-
- करटच्तदानदन्तिदंतिप्रज्ञारविषमीक्विखितांसुपीठः
- क्सापः चितौ चिपतशत्रुरभूत्तनूजः सद्राष्ट्रकूटकनकाद्रिवेन्द्र-
- राज: ।(॥) [४*] तस्योपाजिततपसस्तनययतुरुद्धवलयमालिन्या
- भोक्ता भुवि¹⁰ शतक्रतुसद्श: श्रीदन्तिदुर्गराजोभृत् ।(॥) [५*] श्रासेतोब्बिपुलो-10
- पलाविललाक्कोलोिमीवेलाजलादाप्रालियकलां कितोमल-12 11
- शिलाजालात्त्रुषाराचलात् । **प्रापृर्व्वापरवारिराशिपुलिनपाल-**12

Second Plate: First Side.

- 13 "प्रसिद्धाविधर्येनेयं जगती "स्विविक्रसवितेकातपत्रीक्षता ।(॥) [६*] प्रभृतिः
- भङ्गमग्रहीतनिशातशसमज्ञातमप्रतिहताज्ञमपेतयतं [।*] 14
- समं सपदि दण्डवलीन¹⁵ जित्वा राजाधिराजपरमेम्बरतामवाप ।(॥) 15 काञ्ची-
- ^{्रा}मकेरलनराधिपघोलपाण्डाश्रीच्चवेवञ्चटविभेदविधानदच्चं [।*] कण्णीटकं
- ¹⁷वलमचिन्यमजीयमचै: भृत्यै¹⁸ कियद्विरपि य: सइसा विजिग्ये ।(॥) [८ 17 ਨਜ਼ਿਸ਼ੰ™ ਟਿ-
- वं प्रयात वज्जभराजे कतप्रजापाल: [।*] श्रीककराजसूत्रमं ही-
- पति" क्रणाराज[ो]भूत् ॥ [८*] त[स]नुराइवरुचि: प्रथिती वभवः श्रीषा-
- रिजातविभवाचर [ग]प्रतीत [1*] गोवर्डनोडरणलचितवाचुवीर्योध
- गोविन्दराजन्यति "इरिणा समान: ।(॥) [१०*] तस्यानुजो निरुपमस्र-मुदीगर्णमी-
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- ¹ Read 'भूपश्चिविष्टप⁰.
- 1 Read ° व्यास्त

- ⁹ Read "दिश्वदन्त" and "ब्रिग्वितास".
- " Read कनकाड़ि".
- ⁹ Read मालिन्या:.

- 10 Read **भव**:.
- 11 16 ad °से नीर्थिं.
- 12 Read on wife an Hef.

- 18 Read 'प्रसिद्धावधे.'
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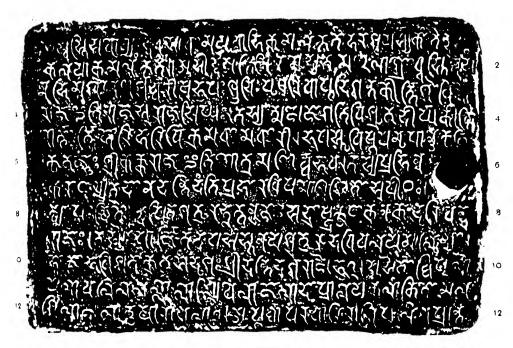
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 - ¹⁷ Read ेबल and भनेग.
- 15 Read "मर्गर्भ दै:,
- 19 Rend तकान.

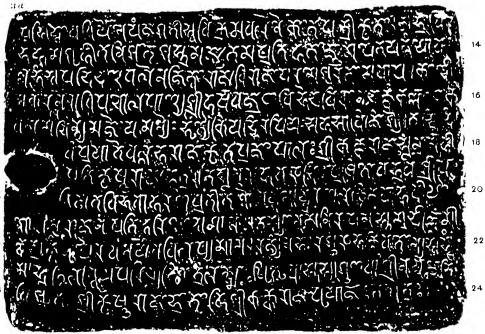
20 Read "प्रति:

- 21 Read **444** 4.
- 22 Read "Hala:

24 Read नपतिर्शतिया.

24 Read SIV.





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- विल्प्यमानं । र[ा*] ज्यं न्रपैरपि नयेन 22 र्यज्ञं तीन्धसं**स्थं**3
- भूतिलान्वयपरिच्तिरच लच्नाः [॥*] [११*] पितृव्यस्तस्य श्रीनव इति
- विश्वत: [1*] श्रीक्षणराजभाता हि श्रीककराजपृयाज: [1*] [१२*] तत्प्तः

Second Plate; Second Side.

- प्रकटपराक्रमाक्राक्तदिक्चको ग्यात्तानुरागः परिच्छद्रापवादर इ-
- स्येष्वसम्बवधरी विष्डवामसेवी विमलागाधसलिल
- मी जलाग्रय इव प्रण्यिनां "तृद्क्तीता समरावलीकश्रीग्रह्ररगणराजः 27
- त्रीक्षत्विक्रभनरेन्द्रदेवानुमंत्या । सर्व्यानेवागामिन्द्रपतियामक्रट-28
- ¹³मचत्तराधिकारिदीनामनुवीधयत्यस्त वः संविदितं यथासाभि-29
- र्मातापित्रीरात्मनञ्चानन्यपुन्ययशीभिष्ठद्यी (।) तेन्वीविनि-
- ¹⁵र्गतव्रह्मचारी भारहाजगोत्राय वासुरे — 31
- िण्ड — भुक्त्या सामिराभिधानयामः साभ्यन्तरमिडिसर्वः 32
- देयप्रहीण्यत्राघाटविग्रवस्तत्पादप्रवार्थ¹⁶ गुरुदिचणा
- यतीसाइंग्रीरन्येव्या पालनीयो रचणीयस
- राहतमति:17 18 ग्राच्छिदादाच्छिदामानं चानुमोदेत:10 स पश्वभिर्म[हा]-
- चोपपातकै: संयुक्त²¹ स्यादित्युक्तं च भगवता वेदव्यासेन व्या-
- 37 सेन ।

Third Plate: First Side.

- षष्टिं वर्षसङ्खाणि खर्गे मोदित" भूमिद: [।*] भाष्केता चानुमन्ता
- वसेत् ॥ [१३*] विस्थाटवीष्वतोयांग्र^{ः अ}शष्ककोटस्वासिनः [।*|

* Read 研究可证

[ा] देख्य seems to have been intended, but is, of course, an ungrammatical form.

² Read वसार ; व and not च must have been in the original draft, and, being similar in formation, च was engraved natead of a. r Read गुणाबाच्छी '.

⁸ Read ⁶भित्रभती⁰ * Read 'प्रियारमज:; रम is omitted in the text. The श्री' of श्रीकक्ष or, what is more probable, the कि preceding र Read दिक्चक: and पाचान्राग:. it, is superfluous.

[&]quot; It was first incised, and then it was corrected into T by erasure

⁸ Read ⁰विधरी. 10 Read ⁰मलिल:•

¹¹ Read तट्टाता.

¹² Rend Calena.

¹⁸ Read 'कार्यादीन्समनुकीध'.

¹⁴ Read gray.

¹⁵ Read 'ब्रह्मचारि'; all letters of 1. 31 after 'ब्रह्मचारी' and the first eight letters of the line following are forged ones, put in after effacing the original letters of the charter, which must have contained the name of the grantce and of the village granted.

¹⁶ Read 'पुजार्थ.

¹⁹ Read पाण्याः 17 Here and in the following the rules of saindhi have not been followed.

²¹ Read 转望雨:. 19 Read मिदित. 20 Read पातक दीप.

²¹ This ought to be सीहते according to the rules of grammar; but this will not suit the metre.

¹⁸ Read ेतीयास.

- जायन्ते भूमिदायं इरन्ति ये।(॥) দ্ধি [88] 40 क्रणाच्यो **लि** खित चैतसासनं1
- 41. यकतृपकालातीतसंवत्सरमतेषु ७१५ परमेखराज्ञया
- [1*] प्रवेत[ः*]⁵ 42 चन्द्रयिकेन ³पुनरपि 'सिम - 11
- निवयामः पश्चिमतः 43 दि चिण्तः दिधिवाही-
- पडलावदपटन एवं चतु[र]--744 उत्तरतः⁶
- पुर्वदरिद्दि रिग ही นล์ก[ู] खेतिममा10 टंकां । 45
- टोगम्य मस्तके गिलतलं । तीयनरज 46
- [।*] दिचणत: जंबग्र (?) इरक: [।] दिचणत: नोबग्राम 4.7
- सती (१)ताविष्ठ-रेलाटिसंबकः प्रस्तिनिकगोग्रहटरीट-48
- धिवाइलतटा किं । मिलाइयं सिवकपलासचिचाव-49
- दरितटाकां ॥ उतरतः 12 खाटके हटी 50

Third Plate: Second Side.

- य[न]म(१)णि: । पर्वदरीर(१)[ल]—वससिमापर्यंत 19व-
- ली-[निव]ड वलभनरद्रेण दिरमाल-गांदुड-521
- देसिलस्यद्र 53॥ यामे भमी ॥ इयचीना-
- सर्ख त्तरमधिकात्तरं 54 प्रमाणमिति वा
- ¹⁵श्रीभट:कंमत: 55

No. 27.— BUCHKALA INSCRIPTION OF NAGABILATTA: SAMVAT 872.

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This inscription was first discovered by a Brahmabhatta of Jodhpur named Nannurius whose zeal for antiquarian matters is as unflagging as it is disinterested. It was found to Buchkalâ in the Bilâdâ district, Jodhpur State. It is incised on a pilaster on the proper tight forming part of the shrine wall jutting out into the sabhamandapa of what is popularly known there as the temple of Pârvatî. The inscription contains twenty lines of, on the whole, will

¹ Read चेंतच्छासन.

² This word is repeated unnecessarily,

⁸ The original inscription ends at चन्द्रिकन; and after that begins again the forged part which goes on the 1. 55 at the close. It is engraved so carelessly that I am by no means certain of my reading of it. It is, more reference to the close. so full of grammatical inaccuracies, which, in many cases, are due to local pronunciation, that it is not desirable? correct them all.

^{*} Read सीमा:.

Read पूर्वत:.

Bead STITE:

[!] Probably অন্€াঘাट?.

^{*} Rend "सीमा. PRead पूर्वत:.

¹⁶ Read ^eसीमा.

¹¹ This दिचिषत; is probably a mistake for पश्चित;.

¹⁹ Read BHIA:

¹³ The reading This also possible.

¹⁵ Read श्रीभटाक:-

¹⁴ Read GRITA:



preserved writing which covers a space of about 2' 4\frac{1}{2}" high by 11\frac{1}{4}" broad. The characters belong to the northern class of alphabets. They include the somewhat rare forms of gh and \hat{n} and the numeral figures 8, 7, and 2. Attention may also be drawn to the way in which the letters \hat{s} and n are engraved. With regard to the latter there is no difference between it and m, except that the upper vertical strokes in the case of the former are much nearer to each other than in the case of the latter. The language is Sauskrit, but is anything but grammatical, and the whole is in prose. In respect of orthography, t is doubled in conjunction with a following \(r_i \) dhi is written \(ddhi \) twice in the word \(mahdrid \hat{p} iddhird \hat{p} a_i \), and there is a tendency to use the dental sibilant instead of the palatal, though in one case the latter is substituted for the former.

The inscription is dated Samvat 872¹ the fifth of the bright fortnight of Chaitra, and refers itself to the reign of the P. M. P. Någabhatta-déva meditating on the feet of the M. P. Vatsaraja-déva. It is thus clear that Någabhatta is no other person than Någabhata, son of Vatsaraja, of the imperial Pratîhâra dynasty wielding sway over the larger portion of North India. Of the princes of this royal family we have had but few dates earlier than the time of Bhojadéva I. In fact, we had only one date, viz. Śaka 705=A.D. 783-84, for Vatsaraja furnished by the Jaina work Harivainša-Purajaa. And our inscription now supplies the second date, V. S. 872 = A.D. 815 for his son Någabhata.

The purport of the inscription, however, is not quite clear. Something is said therein to have been set up (nivisita), but what that 'something' was is far from evident. This something, we are told, was set up, after building the temple (d'nagrita) and worshipping the feet of Pramisrara, in the village of Rajyaghangakam, by the quoen Jayavall, the daughter of Jajjaka, who himself was a son of the Pratihara Bapuka, and wife of Bhumbhuvaka, the son of Haragupta of the family called Avanganaka. As Jayavall has been spoken of as quoen (rijāi), her husband must have been some kind of ruler, most probably a chieftain, fendatory to Nagabhatta, and reigning at, or, at any rate, holding, Rajyaghangakam, which must be supposed to be the old tame of Buchkala. The name of the satraduira or mason is Panchalari, the son of Deta.

The temple is, as we have seen, said to have been dedicated to Paramésvara, which is asually taken to be a name of Siva. This, however, does not agree with the sculptural details of the temple. Although it is now-a-days called a temple of Parvati, there is, truly speaking, no image in the sanctum. But on the dedicatory block on the shrine door and in the principal niche at the back, the images in which enable one to determine to what god the temple is dedicated, is a figure with four hands, doubtlessly representing some form of Vishau, as the mace, discus, and conch-shell can be distinctly seen in its hands. Other images, also carved on the inner and outer walls of the temple, show that it was a Vaishaava structure. The word parameter must, therefore, be taken in its ordinary sense and as referring to Vishau.

TEXT.5

- 1 मी [1] संवत्सरशते ८७२
- 2 चैत्रस्य सितपचस्य पंचम्यां
- ³ नित्रेसित्ता ॥ महाराजादिराज-

¹¹ to swerthy of note that, in the copper-plate charters issued by Bhôjadèva L., Mahèndrapàla and Mahipàla ellier Vinàyakapāla, letter-numerals are used to express figures, whereas, in the present as well as other stone-stone belonging to the time of these princes, decimal notation is employed. It will thus be seen that both electronic transfer in North India about this time. [In the facsimile 892 is a misprint for 872.—8. K.]

² The dute has already been given by Prof. Kielhorn in his Synchronistic Table for Northern India, col. 9. Goln information furnished by Mr. Ojhs.

From the original stone.

[·] Read निविधिता.

[•] Read otimitatimo.

- परमेखरश्रीवसराजदेवपा-
- दान्धातपरमभट्टारकमहारा-
- 'जाडिराजपरमेखरस्रीनाग-
- भरदेवस्वविषये प्रवर्तमान-
- राज्यघङ्गकङ्गाम
- जायावली प्रतीहार-गर्सी
- ²स्त्रगोस्रयीवपुक्षपत्रयोज-10
- ज्जकदृद्धिता ताकुङ्गवीत्पनावा-11
- ङ्गानकस्वगोत्त्रश्<u>वीहरगप्त-</u> 12
- पुत्रभंभवकपत्नी अन्त 13
- मेखरो निशी क्राला 14 ग्रनेकजमा-
- ⁷तरस्रमिवर्तसंमारदखाव-⁸ 15
- हरस्य परमेखरस्य⁹ पादा¹⁰ 16
- पजयित्वा देवग्ट इं करा-17
- प्य¹² [1*] पन ¹³तस्य 18 उपलेपन¹⁴
- देइग्रास्तप[ञ्च]हरि15 19
- 20 ग्रन्नधार:16 ॥

No. 28.—KENDUR PLATES OF KIRTIVARMAN II. SAKA SAMVAT 672.

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This inscription was first brought to my notice in May 1902 by Bhringarkar bava, a wellknown reciter of kirtuus at Poona. He was then engaged in a literary controversy about the identity of Jňáněsvara, the well-known saint of Alandi, with Jňáněsvara, the author of the Jňanésvari, a famous Maráthi commentary on the Bhagavadgita, and asked me whether the inscription threw any light on the point he was discussing. When I told him that the grant was issued in Saka 672, and had nothing to do with the author of the Jüânêśvarî, who was content porary with Râmadêva, the last of the Yâdava kings of Dêvagiri, Bhringârkar bâvâ was kind enough to lend me the plates for the purpose of editing the inscription.

[ा] Read °राजाधिरज°. 2 Rend e सगी भ

[!] Read "बात्पन्ना". · Read °सर्गाभ".

⁶ Here and in the following the rules of saindhi have not been observed.

^{*} The words प्रसिश्यो and निर्जी as they stand, make no sense, and I can suggest no correction.

¹ Some such reading as जन्मान्तरियनिवर्ति might be expected.

^a Read 'दु:खा^o.

[&]quot; Read परमेश्वरस्य.

[™] Read पादौ.

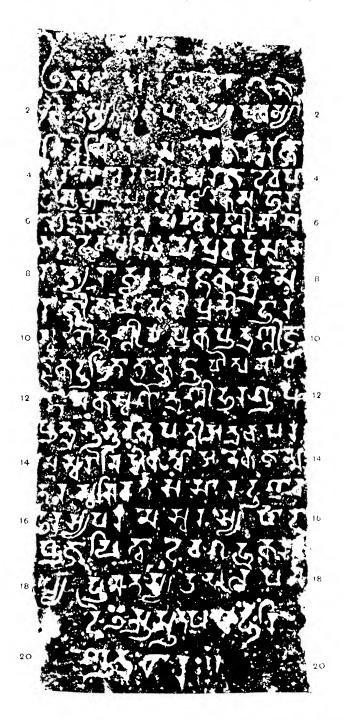
¹¹ Read प्रज्ञियाः

¹² Read TIClical.

¹³ Read प्रमुख्य.

¹⁴ Read उपलिपने. This word seems to have been here will in the sense of "engraving." 15 Bead off.

¹⁶ Read HWHIT:



The plates were found at Kêndûr, a village in the Khêd tâluka of the Poona district. They belong to Mr. Purushôttama Râjapâthak, now residing at Kêndûr. There are five plates, the first and the last of which are inscribed on one side only. The plates are equal in size, measuring $9\frac{1}{2}$ long by $4\frac{1}{2}$ broad. Their edges are raised into rims to protect the writing. The ring on which the plates are strung is about half an inch thick and $5\frac{1}{2}$ in diameter. The scal on the ring is eval, measuring 2 by $1\frac{1}{2}$. It has, in relief, on a countersunk surface, a standing boar facing to the proper left. The weight of the plates, together with the ring and scal, is 225 tolas. The inscription is in a state of excellent preservation. The characters belong to the southern class of alphabets. The language is Sanskrit throughout, and with the exception of the invocatory verse at the beginning and the benedictive and imprecatory verses at the end, the whole is in prose.

The grant is one of the Western Chalukya king Kirtivarman II., and is issued from the city of Raktapura, which is probably to be identified with Lakshméšvara, in the Dharwar district. It records that on the full moon day of the month Vaišākha, during a lunar eclipse, in Saka 672 expired, in the sixth year of his reign, when his victorious camp was at Raktapura, Kîrtivarman II., at the request of his great queen, granted to a Brāhmaṇa named Ramašarman, the village of Beppaṭṭi in the centre of the villages of Penbasaaru, Kisumańgalam, Sullam and Perbbaṭṭi, in the district of Velvola. The five villages can be easily identified with Behaṭṭi, Hebsur, Kusugatla, Sulla and Hebbaṭṭi, in the Dharwar district. Velvola is a Sanskritized form of Belvola or Belvala, a name which is applied even at the present day to a portion of the southern Marāṭhā country.

Before the discovery of the present grant, only three records of Kîrtivarman II.'s time were known to scholars. Of these the most important is the Vakkalêri grant, which has been published by Mr. Rice' and re-edited by Dr. Kielhorn.² As interpreted by these scholars, the date of that grant is Saka 679 expired, which is spoken of as the eleventh year of Kirtivarman's roign, while, according to the present grant, Saka 672 expired was the sixth year of his reign. These two statements cannot be reconciled. It is, however, important to note that the present grant was issued five years earlier, and is perfectly legible throughout. It also mentions the occurrence of a lunar celipse. Therefore the date in this grant, which admits of verification, is correct. But in the Vakkalêri grant, the first word describing the Saka year is not legible. Both Mr. Rice and Dr. Kielhorn have proposed to read it as nava, nine, and this view has been endorsed by Dr. Fleet. But the proposed emendation does not agree with the present inscription, according to which Saka 677 expired was really the eleventh year of the king's reign.

The historical information in the present grant may be briefly summarised thus. The first king of the Chalukya line was Polekésin who performed horse sacrifices. Then came his sen Kirtivarman I., who defeated the kings of Vanavâsi and other countries. His brother Maṅgathās being passed over, we are next introduced to Satyâśraya, better known as Polekésin II., who defeated the famous Buddhist king Harshavardhana, the patron of the illustrious Chinese traveller Hinen Tsiang and the hero of Bâṇa's immortal work, the Harshacharita. Polekésin II.'s son, Vikramâditya I., was the next king, who recovered, by means of his horse Chitrakantha, part of the Chalukya dominions, which had been overrun by the Pallavas, and had obcisance done to him by the lord of Kâñchî, who had bowed down to none other. Vikramâditya I.'s son and successor was Vinayâditya, who broke the confederacy of the Chôlas, Kêralas, Pâṇdyas and Pallavas, and defeated the paramount sovereign of Northern India. Vinayâditya's son Vijayâditya, the next king, had greatly assisted his father and grandfather in their wars. Though suddenly taken prisoner by the enemy, whom he had put

to flight, he skilfully effected his escape and restored the splendour of the Chalukya empire. He was succeeded by his son Vikramaditya II., who led an excursion into the Tundaka country, defeated his natural foe the Pallava king Nandipôtavarman, and entered the Pallava capital Kāňchî, but did not destroy it. He restored to the Rájasimhêśvara and other temples, which had been caused to be built there by Narasimhapôtavarman, heaps of gold and rubies, which had been taken away from them. Vikramaditya II. was succeeded by his son Kirtivarman II., who issued the present grant.

TEXT.1

First Plate.

- 1 Svasti [[*] Jayaty=âvishkrita[in] Vishņôr=vvârâhain kshôbhit-ârṇavain [j*] dakshiṇ-ônnata-damshir-âgra-viśrânta-bhuvanain
- 2 vapuh [||*] Śrimatâin sakala-bhuvana-sainstûyamâna-Mânavya-sagôtrânâm Hâr[i]ti-putraṇâin sa-
- 3 pta-lôkamātribhis=saptamātribhir-abhivardhitānām Kārttikêya-pariraksbaņa-prāsta(pta).
 kalyāņa-
- 4 paramparânâm bhagavan-Nârâyana-prasâda-samâsâdita-varâha-lâñchhan-êkshana-kshana-
- 5 vasî-krit-âsêsha-mahîbhritañ=Chalukyanam kulam-alamkarishnêr-asvamêdh-âva-
- 6 bhrithasnana-pavitri-krita-gatrasya śri-Polekéśi-vallabha-maharajasya sû-
- 7 nuh paråkram-åkrånta-Vanaväsy-ådi-paranripati-mandala-pranibaddha-visuddha-kirttisrî-
- 8 Kirttivarmma-prithu(thi)vivallabha-mahârâjas-tasy=âtmajas-samara-samsakta-sakalôttarâ-
- 9 pathôśvara-śrî-Harshavardhana-parájay-ôpâtta-paramêśvara-śabdas=tasya Sa-

Second Plate: First Side.

- 10 tyáśraya-śrî-prithu(thi)vîvallabha-mahárájádhirája-paramésvarasya priyatanayasya
- 11 prajūāta-nayasya khatga(dga)-mātra-sahāyasya Chitrakanthākhya-pravara-turamgamer-
- 12 n-aiv-ôtsâdit-âsôsha-vijigîshôr=avanipati-tritay-ântaritâth svagurð śriyam-âtmasâ-
- 13 t-kritya prabhava-kuliša-dalita-Pāmdya-Chôla-Kēraļa-Kaļabhra-prabhriti-bhūbhrid-a-
- 14 dabhra-vibhramasy-ânanyâvanata-Kamchipati-makuta-chumbita-pâdâmbujasya
- 15 Vikramaditya-Satyaéraya-érî-prithu(thi)vîvallabha-maharajadhiraja-paramésva-
- 16 ra-bhattarakasya priyasûnôh pitur-âjñayâ Bâlêndugê(śê)kharasya Târakaráti-
- 17 r-iva daityabalam-atisamuddhatain trairájya-Kāmchipati-balam-ayashtabhya kara-

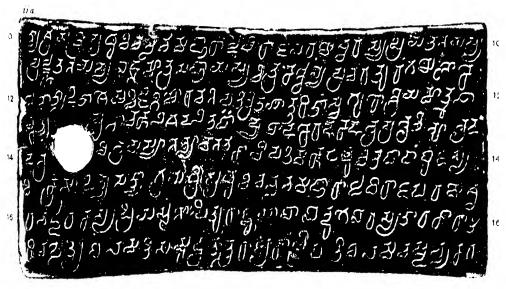
Second Plate: Second Side.

- 18 dîkrita-Kavêra-Pârasîka-Simhaţ-âdi-dvîp-âdhipasya sakal-ôttarâpatha²-nâtha-mathanôpârjit-ô-
- 19 rjita-pâļidhvaj-âdi-samasta-pâramaisvaryya-ohinha(hna)sya śrîprithu(thi)vîvalla-
- 20 bha-mahārājādhirāja-paramôsvara-bhattārakasya priy-ātmajas-sai[sa*]va ĉv-âdhigatāsesh-āstra-
- 21 sastrô dakshinasa-vijayini pitamahê samunmûlita-nikhila-kantaka-samhatiruttarapatha-
- 22 vijigîshôr=gurôr=agrata ^v=âiiava-vyâpâram=âcharann=arâti-gaja-ghatâ-pâta-

¹ From the original plates.

The engraver has originally written paths, but corrected it.





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- 23 na-visîryyamâna-kripâna-dhâras-samagra-vigrah-âgrêsara[h*] san-sâhasa-rasikah
- 21 parâm(û)mukhîkrita-satrumandalê Gamgâ-Yamunâ-pâlidhvaja-padadhakkâ-mahâsabdamâ-
- 25 ņikya-matamgaj-âdîn=pitrisât=kurvvan=paraiḥ palâyamânair=âsâdya katham=api vidhivasâ-
- 26 d-apanîtô=pi pratâpâd=êva vishaya-prakôpam=arâjakam=utsârayan=Vatsarâja i-

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- 27 v-ánapôkshit-ápara-sáháyakas=tad-avagrahán=nirggatya svabhuj-ávash(ambha-prasádhitásásha-visva-
- 28 mbharah prabhur-akhaindita-śaktitrayatvât(ch)-cbhatru-mada-bhainjanatvàdudâratvân-niravadyatvâd-yas-sa-
- $29 masta-bhuvan- \texttt{\&srayas} = sakala-påramaisvaryya-vyakti-hêtu-påļidhvaj- \texttt{\&dy-u[j*]jvala-prajya-vyakti-hêtu-påļidhvaj- \texttt{\&dy-u[j*]jvala-prajya-vyakti-hêtu-pålidhvaj- \texttt{\&dy-u[j*]jvala-prajya-vyakti-hêtu-pålidhvaj- \texttt{\&dy-u[j*]jvala-prajya-vyakti-hêtu-pålidhvaj- \texttt{\&dy-u[j*]jvala-prajya-vyakti-hêtu-pålidhvaj- \texttt{\&dy-u[j*]jvala-prajya-vyakti-hetu-pålidhvaj- \texttt{\&dy-u[j*]jvala-prajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya-vyakti-hetu-pajya$
- 30 rájyó Vijayáditya-Satyásraya-srîprithu(thi)vîvallabha-mahárájádhirája-paramésva-
- 31 ra-bhattarakasya priyaputras-sakala-bhuvana-samrajya-lakshmi-svayamvar-a-
- 32 bhishêka-samay-Anantara-samupajâta-mahôtsâhaḥ Atmavainsaja-pû-
- 33 rvva-nripati-chchhây-âpahâriṇaḥ prakrity-amitrasya Pallavasya samûlônmûlanâya
- 84 kṛita-matir=atitvarayâ Tumḍāka-vishayam prâpy=âbhimukh-âgatan= Nandipôtavarmm-â-
- 35 bhidhânam Pallavam raṇa-mukhô samprahṛitya prapalâyya katumukha-vâditra-sa-

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- 36 mudraghôsh-âbhidhâna-vâdya-viśôshân(shau) = khaṭvâmga-dhvaja-pramatta-prabhûta-prakhyâta-hasti-varâ-
- 37 n-sva-kiraņa-nikara-vikāsa-nirākrita-timiram-māņikya-rāšiñ-cha hastêkritya Kalašabhava-nila-
- 38 ya-harid-aingan-âmohita-kâmchîyamânâm Kâmchîm-avinâsya pravisya satatapravritta-dâ-
- 39 n-ână(na)ndita-dvija-dîn-ânâtha-janah Narasimhapôtavarmma-nirmmâpita-silâmaya-
- 40 Râjasimhêśvar-âdi-dôvakula-suvarņarâśi-pratyarppan-ôpârjit-òrjita-pu-
- 41 nyah anivarita-pratapa-prasara-pratapita-Pamdya-Chôla-Kêrala-Kalabhra-
- 12 prabhriti-rājanyakah kshubhita-kari-makara-kara-hata-dalita-sukti-mukta-muktaphala-
- 43 prakara-marîchi-jâla-vilasita-vôl-âkulê ghûrnamân-ârgô-nidhânê dakshinâ-
- 44 ruavê sarad-amala-sasadhara-visada-yasê-rûsi-mayam jayastambham-atisht[h*]ipat

Fourth Plate : First Side.

- 45 Vikramāditya-Satyaśraya-śrîprithu(thi)vîvallabha-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara-bha-
- 46 ttàrakasya sûnuḥ(r) bûlyê susikshita-sâstra-sastra[h*] sva-guna-kalap-ananditahri-
- 47 dayêna pitrâ samârôpita-yauvarâjya[ḥ*] svakula-vairiṇaḥ Kâmchîpatêrnnigrahâ-
- 48 ya mâm prêshaya ity-âdêśam prârthya labdhvâ tad-anantaram-êva kritaprayâṇas-sann-a-
- 49 bhimukham-agatya prakasa-yuddham kartum-asamarttham pravishta-durggam Palla-
- 50 vam samantatô=bhibhûya bhagnaśaktim kritvà prabhûta-matta-matamgaja-su-
- ol varna-manikya-kôtîrzâdâya pitrê samarppitavân=êvam kramêna prâpta-sâ-

- 52 rvvabhauma-padah pratap-anurag-avanata-samasta-samanta-makuta-ma-
- 53 la-rajah-pumja-pimjarita-charana-sarasirhah (ruhah) Kirtivarmma-Satyâ-

Fourth Plate : Second Side.

- 54 śraya-śrîppithivîvallabha-mahârâjàdhirâja-paramôśvara-bhaţţârakas-sarvân=êva-
- 55 m=ājñāpayati [1*] Viditam=astu vô-smābhir=dvisaptaty-uttara-shaṭchhatēshu Sakavarshēshv=atītēshu
- 56 pravardhamāna-vijaya-rājya-samvatsarê shashţhê varttamânê Raktapuramadhiyasa-
- 57 ti vijaya-skandhâvârê Vaisakha-paurņamāsyām sômagrahaņê Kāsyapa-gô-
- 58 trâya Vajappaśarmmanahl-pautrâya Mâkaya-Vâjapô[ya*]-yâjinah
- 59 putráya véda-védániga-páragáya Ramasarmmané Velvola-visha-
- 60 yô Ponbasaaru-Kisumaingalam-Sullam-Perballi-nama-gramanam-ma-
- 61 dhyê Boppatti-nama-gramô srl-mahadêvî-vijnapanayê dattah

Fifth Plate.

- 62 Tad-âgâmibhir-asmad-vamsyair-anyais-cha râjabhir-âyur-aisvaryy-âdînâm vilasitamachi-
- 63 r-Amáu-chañchalam=avagachchhadbhir=âchandr-ârka-dhar-ârpava-sthiti-samakâlam yaśaś-chikî-
- 64 rshubhis-sva-datti-nirvvišôsham paripâlanîyam-Uktañ-cha bhagavatâ vêda-vyâsôna
- 65 Vyáséna [[*] Bahubhir-vvasudhā bhuktā rājabhis-Sagar-ādibhiḥ [[*] yasya yasya
- 66 yadā bhūmis-tasya tasya tadā phalam [||*] Svan=dâtum sumahachchhakyam
- 67 duḥkham-anyasya pâlanam [|*] dânam vâ pâlanam v=êtti(v=êti) dânâch-chhrèyònupâlanam [|*]
- 68 Syndattáin paradattáin vá yó haréta vasundharáin [[*] shashth(t)im
- 69 srāņi vishthāyām jāyatê kri(kri)mir=iti [||*] **Dhanamjaya-Puņyava**llabhēns likhita-
- 70 maidain.

TRANSLATION.

(Verse 1.) Hail! victorious is the body of Vishnu, manifested in the form of a boar on whose uplifted right tusk rests the world, and who has agitated the ocean.

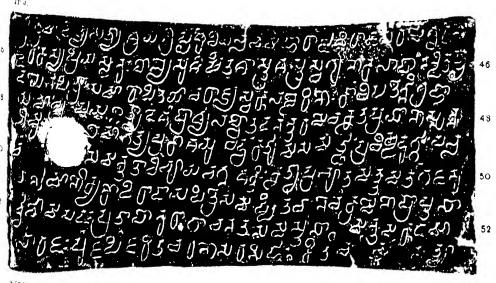
(Lines 2 to 6.) The great king, the prosperous Polekési-vallabha, whose body was purified by the arabhritha bath terminating a horse-sacrifice, and who adorned the family of the prosperous Chalukyas, who belonged to the family of Manavya praised by the whole world, who were the sons of Haritî, who were reared by seven mothers, the mothers of the seven worlds, who had acquired a series of benefits through the protection of Karttikêya, and who had subdued in an instant all kings at the sight of the sign of the boar acquired through the favour of the revered Narayana.

(Ll. 6 to 8.) His son was the prosperous Kirtivarman, the great king, and the lord of the earth, who had achieved spotless fame by the conquest of Vanavasi² and other countries of hostile kings.

^{1 [}Looks like Vdjarefarmmanah .- S. K.]

Also called Banavâsi or Banavase.





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W. GRIGGS, PHOTO-LITH.

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(Ll. 8 to 9.) His son was he who had acquired the title of Paramésvara by defeating the prosperous Harshavardhana, the lord of all the north, and addicted to war.

(Il. 10 to 16.) The dear son of that asylum of truth, the prosperous lord of the earth, the great king of kings, the great lord, was Vikramâditya, well versed in politics, whose companion was his sword alone, who had destroyed all rivals only with his excellent horse called Chitrakantha, who retrieving the fortune of his father, which had been interrupted by the confederacy of the three kings, had destroyed the great splendour of the mountain-like kings of the Pândyas, Chôlas, Kôralas, Kalabhras and others with his prowess resembling a thunderbolt, whose lotus-like feet were kissed by the crest of the lord of Kâñchî who had not bowed down to others, and who was the asylum of truth, the prosperous lord of the earth, the great king of sings, the venerable emperor.

(bl. 16 to 20.) His dear son, who reduced to the condition of tributaries the kings of Kavêra, Pârasîka, Simhala and other countries after vanquishing the proud army of the confederacy of the three kings and the lord of Kāñchi at the command of his father, just as Kārtikêya, at the command of Siva defeated the very insolent host of demons, who had acquired all the symbols of sovereignty such as a lofty pāliāhvaja and others by subjugating the king of all the north, was Vinayāditya, the asylum of truth, the presperous lord of the earth, the great king of kings, and the venerable lord.

(Ll. 20 to 30.) His dear son, who while still a child, had mastered all the sciences and the use of arms, who when his grandfather conquered the southern region had uprooted the multitude of all his foes resembling thorns, conducting warlike operations in the very presence of his father who was desirous of conquering the north, who had the edge of his sword blunted by destroying the group of hostile elephants, who took the lead in all fighting, fond of meeting danger, who caused the multitude of his enemies to turn their backs, delivering to his father the variegated pdli-banner, the dhakkd, the great musical instruments, rubics and intoxicated elephants, who, though taken captive through the force of circumstances by the flying foe approaching with some difficulty, put an end to anarchy and popular commotion by his prowess alone, and like Vatsaraja, expecting no help from others, escaped from the peril and conquered the whole earth by dint of his arm, who was an emperor, the asylum of truth, through his liberality and blamelessness, whose vast empire was resplendent with a palidhvaja which was a symbol of universal sovereignty, was Vijayaditya, the asylum of truth, the prosporous lord of the earth, the great king of kings and the venerable lord.

(Ll. 31 to 45.) His dear son, who had enjoyed great pleasure immediately after the time of his ancintment at the self-choice by the goddess of universal sovereignty, who resolved to uproot the Pallava king, his natural foe, who had robbed of splendour the former kings of his line, who on coming to the Tundaka' district in great haste, beat and put to flight, at the opening of the campaign, the opposing Pallava king named Nandipôtavarman,

prasidhya dakshinim=1111m vibhus trairdjyapdlakin l samam pranamayim=dsa vijitya jayasidhanash l

¹ Tasya means "of one who is well-known or referred to above."

² Compare the expression avanipatitritaya with trairdjya in line 17. • AtmasAt-kritya should be • kritvd.

Vikramaditya is compared to Indra.

^{*} Trairājya is used by Jinascha in the following verse (Adipurāna, XXX. 35), and is explained by the commentator to mean Chôla, Kôrala and Pândya:—

For the explanation of pdlidhvaja, see my paper in the Ind. Ant., Vol. XIV. p. 104.

The expression mahdiabda is frequently used in this sense in Pampa Bhdrata, p. 211.

⁷ Tundākavisbaya or Tondal is a name of the Dravida country. Kanchi or Conjecverum was the capital of it.

took! possession of particular musical instruments, called katunukhaváditra and sangdraghósha, the khatvánga-dhvaja, many excellent and well-known intoxicated elephants and a heap of rubies, which dispelled darkness by the brilliancy of the multitude of their rays, who entered, without destroying it, the city of Kañehi, which was, as it were, a girdle aderning yonder lady, the region of the south, who had rejoiced Brâhmanss, and poor and helpless people by his uninterrupted liberality, who acquired high merit by restoring heaps of gold to the stone temples of Râjasinhôśvara and other gods, which had been caused to be built by Narasimhapôtavarman, who distressed Pândya, Chôla, Kêrala, Kalabhra and other kings by the extent of his valour which could not be withstood, and who erected a pillar of victory² in the form of his great fame, as bright as the cloudless autumnal moon in the southern ocean, full of rolling waves, the shores of which were shining with the multitude of rays of numerous pearls dropped from shells struck and broken by the trunks of excited elephants resombling whales, was Vikramâditya, the asylum of truth, the prosperous lord of the earth, the great king of kings and the venerable lord.

(Ll. 46 to 14.) His dear son, who was trained in science and the use of arms in his childhood, was appointed heir-apparent by his father whose heart was delighted with a multitude of his virtues; who having asked for and obtained an order to put down the leaf of Kafichi, the enemy of his family, led an expedition, defeated the Pallava king in every quarter, who, unable to meet him in an open field had taken refuge in a fort, made him powerless, took possession of many ruttish elephants, gold and crores of rubies, and delivered them to his father; who thus gradually attained to the position of an emperor, and whose lotus-like feet were rendered yellowish by the mass of pollen on the numerous crests of all feudatory kings, who bowed to him through love of his heroism, Kirtivarman, the asylum of truth, the presperous lord of the earth, the great king of kings, and the venerable lord, thus commands all;

(Id. 55 to 61.) Be it known to you, when six hundred and seventy-two years of the Saka era had passed away, and the sixth year of [our] increasing prosporous reign was current, when our victorious camp was located at Raktapura, on the full moon of Vaisakha during a lunar eclipse, the village named Boppatti surrounded by the villages named Ponbasaaru, Kisumangalam, Sullam and Porbballi, in the district of Velvola, was granted by us at the request of the prosperous great queen to Ramasarman, well versed in the Védas and Vêdangas, who was the son of Makaya, a performer of the Vájapôya sacrifice, and the grandsen of Vajappasarman of the Kásyapa gôtra.

(Ll. 62 to 64.) This should be preserved, as though it were their own gift, by future kings of our own family or others, knowing the dash of life and other things to be as changeful as lightning, and desirous of achieving a fame lasting as long as the moon, the sun, earth, and ocean will endure.

(11, 65 to 70.) And it is said by the venerable Vyåsa, the arranger of the Vêdas. The earth has been enjoyed by many kings, including Sagara. Whoever is the owner of the earth, respits fruit. It is very easy to give what is one's own; it is difficult to preserve what is given by others. Of the two things—a gift and preservation—preservation is the better. He who takes away land, whether given by himself or others, is born as a worm in order for sixty thousand years. This is written by **Dhanañjaya Puṇyavallabha**.

¹ The expression haste kritya is not stong; compare Dhananjays, Dvisandhanakayya XIII. 36, and Bhattôji Dikshita's remark on Panini I. 4, 77; setkaramatramaity=anys; haste-kritya mahastrantti. See Padamanjari, p. 224 (Benares edition).

² Vikramuditya II. did not set u, a pillar of victory; only his fame, which spread to the shores of the southern ocean, is compared to such a pillar.

³ This must be the same person who composed the Vakkalde grant five years later. A relative of his, perhaps his father, was Anivaritapunyavailabha, who wrote the Kanchi inscription of Vikramaditya II. (above, Vol. III. p. 359 f.).

No. 29. - DATES OF CHOLA KINGS.

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(Continued from Vol. VIII. page 274.)

From the materials supplied to me by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya I publish here, with the results of my calculations, twenty-two more dates of Chôla kings (Nos. 137-158), and two dates (Nos. 159 and 160) of the king Peruñjiñgadêva, "who claims to be a Pallava and who subverted the Chôla sovereignty about A.D. 1231-32," Five of these dates (Nos. 145-149) belong to the king Rajadhiraja [II.] Rajakêsarivarman, of whom no dates have yet been published, and whose reign these dates with great probability show to have commenced between (approximately) the 28th February and the 30th March A.D. 1163. The other dates in general morely confirm the correctness of the results previously found for the commencement of the reigns of the kings to whom they belong; but No. 142 reduces the period, during which Rajaraja II. must have commenced to reign, to the time from (approximately) the 6th April to the 11th July A.D. 1146.

I am still keeping back a number of dates of Kulôttunga-Chôla II. Râjakêsarivarman in the hope that more dates of this king may be discovered before long.

At the end of this article I give a list of all published dates of Chôla kings that have been examined by me, with approximate statements of the time when each king commenced to reign.

A .- RAJARAJA I.

137.- In the Sivayôganáthasvámin temple at Tiruvišalůr.3

l Svasti éri [|| —] Kô-Râjarâjakêsarivarmmakku yâṇḍu 5 âvadu ivv-âṭt[ai] [Dha]nu-[n]âyaggu Nâyaggu-kk[i]lamaiyum Mûlamum pakka-

2 m *prathipadamum kûdina vara-yôgatt[i]n pôdu.

"In the 5th year (of the reign) of king Rajarajakêsarivarman,— on the day of the suspicious yôga which was combined with the first tithi of a fortnight, (the nakshatra) Mula and a Sunday in the month of Dhanus of this year."

I have previously found that Råjaråja I. commenced to reign between (approximately) the 25th June and the 25th July A.D. 985. This date of the 5th year of his reign corresponds to Sunday, the 1st December A.D. 989, which was the 8th day of the month of Dhanus, and en which the first tithi (of the bright half of Pausha) commenced 5 h. 6 m., while the nukshatra was Můla, by the equal space system for 16 h. 25 m., and according to Garga for 3 h. 56 m., after mean sunrise.

For dates with the auspicious yôga—also called amrita-yôga?—of a Sunday with the nakshatra Mûla, see above, Vol. VI. p. 21, No. 33, and note. Compare also Hêmachandra's Sabdinasdsana-vritti, end of Adhyâya II. Pâda 2: Mûldrkah 8 trûyatê tistrê sarvakalyina-kîranam | adhund Mûlardjas=tu chitram lêkêshu gîyatê ||.

¹ See Mr. Venkayya's Annual Report for 1908-07, p. 89.

² Compare above, Vol. VIII. p. 264.

⁸ No. 19 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1907.

[·] Read pratipadoo.

It is not stated whether it was the bright or the dark fortnight.

[·] See above, Vol. VII. p. 6.

⁷ See Ep. Carn. Vol. IV. p. 114, No. 10.

[·] I.e. Milla-nakshatrena yukto'rkah saryah.

138 and 139.—In the Amritaghațêsvara temple at Tirukkadaiyûr.

$\frac{1}{2}$	Svasti śrî [*] [Tiru-ma]gal	yând[n]
3	[ra]ṭṭâdi=tti[nga]] pir=pākkattu=[p]pakkam [8 eṭṭu]=kki[la]mai ² Pu[ṇa]rpūšam	Tingal nal
9	dvâ[da]śiyum Nâya[r]u-kila[m]ai[yum] perra Iraivadi	-bha]kshat[tu]

"In the year which was the 16th year (of the reign) of the glorious king Rajarajakesarivarman,— on the day of Punarvasu, the week-day (being) Monday, (and) the day of the fortnight being [8—eight—] of the second half of the month Purattadi on [the day of] Revatl which corresponded to a Sunday and to the twelfth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Tula in this year."

The first of these two dates regularly corresponds to Monday, the 23rd September A.D. 1000, which was the 29th day of the month Purattadi (i.e. the month of Kanya), and on which the 8th tithi of the dark half (of Aśvina) commenced 0 h. 55 m., while the nakshatra was Punarvasu, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 22 h. 20 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 21 h. 40 m., after mean sunrise.

The second date apparently corresponds to Sunday, the 13th October A.D. 1000. This was the 18th day of the month of Tulâ, and on it the 12th tithi of the bright half (of Kârttika) ended 1 h. 17 m. after mean sunrise; but as the nakshatra was Révati only from 11 h. 10 m. after mean sunrise, I should have expected the day to be described as the day of (the preceding nakshatra) Uttara-Bhadrapadâ.

140.—In the Siva temple at Pérangiyûr.5

"In the 2[4]th year (of the reign) of the glorious Raja-Rajarajadeva,— on the day of Śravana, which corresponded to the fifth tithi and to a [Wednesday] of the first fortnight of the month of Vrischika in this year."

For the given week-day (Wednesday) and the nakshatra Śravana the date would be wrong for all the ten years from the 20th to the 29th year of Rājarāja's reign. Irrespectively of the week-day, the date for the 24th year would correspond to Saturday, the 6th November A.D. 1008, which was the 12th day of the month of Vrišchika, and on which the 5th tithi of the bright half (of Mārgašīrsha) ended 3 h. 33 m. after mean sunrise, while the nakshatra by all systems was Śravana the whole day. I have little doubt that this Saturday is the proper equivalent of the date and that the week-day, if not misread, has been wrongly given in the original.

¹ No 27 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

² The letter la is engraved below the line.

¹ Read Révational.

I.c. the utthana-dvadast-lithi (the tithi calle awakening of Vishnu).

No. 203 of the Government Epigraphist's conection for 1906.

Read Friichika.

B.-VIKRAMA-CHOLA.

141.—In the Amritaghatésvara temple at Tirukkadaiyûr.1 1 Svasti śrî [||*] Pû-mâlai m[i]daindu ko-Pparakésaripatmar-a(na) Tribhuvana. 16 chchakravatti-17 gal śrî-Vikrama-Śôladêvarku yâṇḍu 6 âg[ā]vadu V[ri]śchi , ²[y]aiyum [Bu]dan-kilamaiyum perra Migasirshatti nâl. "In the 6th-sixth - year (of the reign) of king Parakesarivarman alies the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Vikrama-Chôladeva, - on the day of Mrigasirsha, which [of the month of] Vrischi[ka]." The reign of Vikrama-Chôla has been found 3 to commence on the 29th June A.D. 1118. and this date of the 6th year of his reign undoubtedly corresponds to Wodnosday, the 7th November A.D. 1123. This was the 11th day of the month of Vrischika, and on it the second whi (of the dark half of Kârttika) ended 4 h. 45 m., while the naksha/ra was Mrigasîrsha, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 7 h. 13 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 5 h. 55 m., after mean sunrise. C.—RAJARAJA II. 142.—In the Gramardhanathesvara temple at Elvanasur. l Svasti śrî [||*] maraviya Tiru-mådum Pû Tribhuvanachehakravarkô-Pparakêsari[pa]tmar-âna 13 . yandu 6 [1]5[vadu]6 Môśrî-Rajarajadovarku 14 tigal ashtami[yu]m pûrvva-pakshatta Budan-ki-15 sha-nayarru 16 lamaiyum perra Pûsatti-nâl. "In the [1]5th year (of the reign) of king Parakêsarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rajarajadeva, - on the day of Pushya, which corresponded to a Wednesday and to the eighth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Mesha."

With the result previously obtained 7 for the commencement of the reign of Rajaraja [II.]

Parakesarivarman, this date regularly corresponds to Wednesday, the 5th April A.D. 1161, which was the 13th day of the month of Mesha and on which the 8th tithi of the bright half (of Vaisakha) ended 12 h. 54 m., while the nakshatra was Pushya, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 11 h. 10 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 9 h. 12 m. after mean munriso.

143.—In the Gramardhanathésvara temple at Elvandsûr. 8

1				. kô=Ppara	kôśaripanm a r-âna
5	[Tri]bu- vanachchakravattiga]	árî-Râjarâjadêvarku	yâņḍu	1[7]vadu	Dha[nu-nâya]gu
6	[a]para-pa- ksha[t*]tu navamiyum	Navarru-kiflalmaivum	perra	A	•

¹ No. 30 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

^{*} Sce above, Vol. VII. p. 8. ² Perhaps dvittyaiyum is meant.

⁴ No. 140 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

⁵ The letter a is engraved below the line.

The letters vadu are written in a group.

⁷ See above, Vol. VIII. pp. 2 and 264.

⁸ No. 129 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1908.

"In the 1[7]th year (of the reign) of king Parakésarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rájarájadéva,— on the day of A , 1 which corresponded to a Sunday and to the ninth tithi of the second fortnight of the month of Dhanus."

The date corresponds to Sunday, the 2nd December A.D. 1162, which was the 7th day of the month of Dhanus, and on which the 9th tithi of the dark half (of Mârgasîrsha) ended 16 h. 56 m., while the nakshatra was Hasta, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 13 h. 47 m., and by the Brahma-siddhânta for 10 h. 30 m., after mean sunrise.

The result shows that the nakshatra, of the name of which only the initial vowel a remains in line 6 of the original, was Attam (Hasta).—The date is the latest one hitherto examined of the reign of Rājarāja 11.

144.—In the Gramardhanathesvara temple at Elvanasur.

l	Svasti šri	[[]	Pù maru	viya Ti	ıru-mâ	dum		•	•			•	•			
				•		•									k	i) =
8	P[p]ara[k]	saripati	กลา=โทย	Tri	bhuvai	na[ch]	chak:	rava	[r]t	igal		śr î- F	la ja:	râjade	êvarl	ku
	yândn	15 v:	du $]^3 = M/1$	na-									•			
9	nâyaggu	-	va-pakshat	-	pañ[j	jami] y	շ[ս]ու	ı	T	ingal	-kila	шаіу	um		per	ŗa.

M[ri]gasî[r]shatti-nâ].

"In the 15th year (of the reign) of king Parakésarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Båjaråjadéva,— on the day of Mrigasirsha, which corresponded to a Monday and to the fifth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Mina."

In accordance with the previously obtained results, this date should fall in A.D. 1161, some time before the 24th March (the first day of the month of Mêsha); but with the actual reading of the original it would be incorrect. In my opinion, the fifth tithi (paħ[jami]yum) has here been quoted erroneously instead of the seventh (saptamiyum), and the date corresponds to Monday, the 6th March A.D. 1161, which was the 12th day of the month of Mina, and en which the 7th tithi of the bright half (of Chaitra) ended 3 h. 41 m., while the nakshatra was Mṛigaširsha, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 4h. 36 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 3 h. 17 m., after mean sunrise.

Of the three dates, the date No. 142 would show that the reign of Rajaraja II. could not have commenced before (approximately) the 6th April A.D. 1146.4

D.-RAJADHIRAJA II.

145.— In the Tyagarajasvamin templo at Tiruvarûr.

1 Svasti śr[î] 6. Kaḍal śûluda pār-mag[a]lu[m] 2 . . . kô Rājakêsaripa[nma]r-āṇa Tribhuvanachcha[k*]karavattigal śri-Rājādha(dhi)rājadêvarku yāṇḍu 2[āvadu]6 Mêsha-nāyarru pūrvva-pakshattu shashṭhiyun=Diṅgaṭ-kilamaiyum perra Puṇarpūśatti=nāl.

"In the 2nd year (of the reign) of king Rājakésarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rājādhirājadéva.— on the day of Punarvasu, which corresponded to a Monday and to the sixth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Mêsha."

¹ The name of the nakshatra, which is loss in the original, may be Asvati (Asvint), Attam (Hasta), Avittam (Dhanishthà) or Anniam (Annuadhà).

² No. 137 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1206.

The letters valu are written in a group. Compare the date No. 106, above, Vol. VIII. p. 264.

No. 538 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1904.

^{*} The word arada seems to be denoted by a flourish added to the figure 2.

The five dates Nos. 145-149 are of the reign of a king Rajadhiraja Rajakėsarivarman, and are taken from inscriptions every one of which begins with the words kadal kalada. The first four dates work out regularly on the assumption that this king commenced to reign between (approximately) the 28th February and the 30th March A.D. 1163. With such a commencement of his reign:—

This date, No. 145, corresponds to Monday, the 30th March A.D. 1164, which was the 7th day of the month of Mêsha, and on which the 6th tithi of the bright half (of the first Vaišākha) ended 19 h. 3 m., while the nakshatra was Punarvasu, by the Brahma-siddhânta from 7 h. 13 m., according to Garga from 9 h. 51 m., and by the equal space system from 21 h. 40 m., after mean sunrise.—This equivalent of the original date might perhaps be objected to on the ground that the nakshatra was Punarvasu only from 7 h. 13 m. (or later) after mean sunrise; and in the case of the date No. 106, above Vol. VIII. p. 263, where also the nakshatra was found to be Punarvasu from 8 h. 32 m. (or later) after mean sunrise, I have myself stated that nakshatra in the original date might have been quoted erroneously instead of the immediately preceding nakshatra Ârdrâ. But the two dates together now seem to me to show that in either case there was some special reason for quoting the nakshatra Punarvasu, instead of the nakshatra Ârdrâ in which the moon was at the commencement of the day.

146.—In the Kapardiśvara templo at Tiruvalañjuli.2

- 7 [nga]t-kilamai[yu]m perra [Puṇa]r[pû]śat[tu] nâ[]].

"In the [8]th year (of the reign) of king Rajakêsarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rajadhirajadêva,—on the day of Punarvasu, which corresponded to a Monday and to the twelfth tithi of the second fortnight of the month of Simha."

The date corresponds to Monday, the 10th August A.D. 1170, which was the 14th day of the month of Simha, and on which the 12th tithi of the dark half (of Śrâvana) commenced 2 h. 3 m., while the nakshatra was Punarvasu, 3 by the equal space system and according to Garga for 17 h. 44 m., and by the Brahma-siddhânta for 17 h. 4 m., after mean sunrise.

147.— In the Tyâgarâjasvâmin temple at Tiruvârûr.4

"In the 10th year (of the reign) of king Råjakësarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Råjadhiråjadëva,— on the day of Magha, which corresponded to a Tuesday and to the thirteenth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Mina."

¹ For other dates with nakshatras which also, if 1 may say so, commenced some time after sunrise, compare *9. Nos. 23, 47, 68, 105, and 121 of this series.

² No. 627 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1903.

⁸ A 12th tithi joined with the nakshatra Punarvasu is called jayanti; it is a mahd-decidasi. This may be the reason why the 12th tithi has been quoted in the original date (as a current tithi).

⁴ No. 540 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1904.

The word dvadu seems to be denoted by a flourish added to the symbol for ton.

The date corresponds to **Tuesday**, the 27th February A.D. 1173, which was the 5th day of the month of **Mina**, and on which the 13th *tithi* of the bright half (of Phâlguna) ended 10 h. 50 m., while the nakshatra was **Maghā**, by the equal space system for 14 h. 27 m., and according to Garga for 2 h. 33 m., after mean sunrise.

148.— In the Darbharanyésvara temple at Tirunaļļār.

- 1 Svasti śrî[ḥ] [[l*] Kaḍal śû[ˈn]da [pâ]r-mîdarum [k¹òv-Irā;śa]kêśar[i]pagmar-ā[ṇa Tiribuva]ṇa[ch]chakkarava[t*]tigal śrî-Ir[â]j[ā*;d[i]ra[ja*]dēvagku yā[n]-
- 2 du padig-oğgâvadu Sinna-nâ[ya]rru pû[r]vaspasha(ksha)ttu paûjamiyu[m] Budag-kilamai[y]um p[e]rra Sod[i]-nâ].

"In the cloventh year (of the reign) of king Rajakôsarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rajadhirajadêva,—on the day of Svati, which corresponded to a Wodnosday and to the fifth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Sinha,"

The date corresponds to Wednesday, the 15th August A.D. 1173, which was the 19th day of the month of Simha, and on which the 5th tithi of the bright half (of Bhàdrapada) ended 13 h. 53 m., while the nakshatra was Svâti, by the equal space system for 17 h. 44 m., according to Garga for 5 h. 16 m., and by the Brahma-siddhànta for 1 h. 19 m., after mean sunrise.

149.—In the Vrishabhapuriśvara temple at Mél-Sévûr.2

- 3 na Budan-kilamaiyum apara pakshattu ôkâda[\$]iyum perra R[ô]śani-tál.

"In the 13th year (of the reign) of king Rājakēsarīvarman alias the emporer of the three worlds, the glorious Rājā[dhirā]jadēva,—on the day of Rôhirī, which corresponded to the eleventh tithi of the second fortnight and to a Wednesday, the thirteenth solar day of the month of Karkaṭaka."

In the three hundred years from A.D. 1000 to A.D. 1300 there are only two days which would satisfy the requirements of this date, viz. Wednesday, the 8th July A.D. 1027, and Wednesday, the 8th July A.D. 1181.

- In A.D. 1097 the Karkataka-sninkranti took place 17 h. 26 m. after mean sunvise of Thursday, the 25th June; the first day of the month of Karkataka therefore was Friday, the 26th June, and the 13th day of the same month was Wednesday, the 8th July. On this day the 11th tithi of the dark half (of Ashadha) ended 5 h. 36 m., and the nakshatra was Rohmi, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 4 h. 36 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 3 h. 56 m. after mean sunvise.
- In A.D. 1181 the Karkataka-samkranti took place 10 h. 56 m. after mean sumise of Friday, the 26th June, which was the first day of the month of Karkataka; and the 13th day of the same month therefore was Wednosday, the 8th July. On this day the 11th tithi of the dark half (of Ashadha) commenced 4 h. 24 m. after mean sunrise, and the nakshatra was Rôhini, by the Brahma-siddhanta and according to Garga the whole day, and by the equal space system from 1 h. 58 m. after mean sunrise.

¹ No. 394 of the Government Epigraphia collection for 1902.

² No. 222 of the Government Epigraphist collection for 1904.

It is clear that if, as was assumed above, the reign of Rajadhiraja Rajakêsariyarman commenced between the 28th February and the 30th March A.D. 1163, neither of the two Wednesdays given above could have fallen in the 13th year of his reign. On the other hand, I may state that if either of the two days really fell in his 13th year, the other dates would be incorrect. In these circumstances, and assuming that, with the exception of the regnal year, the details of the original date have been given correctly, I can only suggest that the year 13 (which is given in figures 1 only) has been quoted erroneously instead of the 19th year, and that the proper equivalent of the date therefore is really Wednesday, the 8th July A.D. 1181. It might of course be chiected that this day would full in the reign of Kulòttunga III. Parakêsariyarman, which commenced between the 6th and the 8th July A.D. 1178. But I have already shown that we have a similar overlapping of two reigns also in other cases. A date (No. 94) of the 39th year of Kulôttuñga III. corresponds to the 25th January A.D. 1217, while the reign of his successor Râjacâja III. commenced in June-July A.D. 1216; and of this king again we have two dates (Nos. 96 and 97) of the 7th February and the 22nd April A.D. 1248, whereas the reign of his successor Râjêndra-Chôla III, commenced in March-April A.D. 1246.

From the materials available I therefore infer that Rajadhiraja Rajakôsariyarman, i.e. Rajadhiraja II., commenced to reign between (approximately) the 28th February and the 30th March A.D. 1163.

E.-KULOTTUNGA-CHOLA III.

150.—In the Gramardhanathésvara temple at Elvanasur.

śrî-Virar[â]jôndira-Śôladôvagk[ku] 1 Tiribuyanachchakkarayattigal Gyadu Magara nâyagu - pûrvva-pakku[li]ttu3 - dvit[î]yaiyum - Tingaţ-kilamai[y]um - pe[gga A]vittatti=nal.

"In the 6th year (of the reign) of the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Virarajendra-Chôladeva, - on the day of Śravishtha, which corresponded to a Monday and to the second tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Makara."

The date corresponds to Monday, the 16th January A.D. 1184, which was the 22nd day of the month of Makara, and on which the 2nd tithi of the bright half (of Magha) commenced 5 h. 36 m., while the nakshatra was Sravishtha, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 10 h. 30 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 11 h. 10 m., after mean sunrise.

151.—In the Amritaghatesvara temple at Tirukkadaiyûr.4

- 1 Svasti śri [11*] Puyal väyppa kô=[Ppu]rakêśariparmar ana ⁵Tibuvanachchakkaravattigal Madu[r]aiyum Pandi[ya]naiyum mudittalaikond-aruliya śrî-Kulôttunga-Sôladêvarku yându 16 vadu Mêsha-nâyarru pûryapakshattu [a]ttamiyu[m]
- 6 Viyâla-kkilamaiyum perra Pûśatti=nâl.

"In the 16th year (of the reign) of king Parakesarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Kulôttunga-Chôladêva, who was pleased to take Madurai and the

¹ Mr. Venkayya has informed me, about three years ago, that the figures undoubtedly are '13.' I would anguest that 'the thirteenth' solar day, which is mentioned closely to the regnal year, may have misled the writer to put down '13' also for the latter.

² No. 158 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

⁴ No. 48 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

Read -pakshattu.

Bead Tribhu.

crowned head of the Pandya, - on the day of Pushya which corresponded to a Thursday and to the eighth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Mesha."1

The date corresponds to Thursday, the 31st March A.D. 1194, which was the 7th day of the month of Mesha, and on which the 8th tithi of the bright half (of the second Chaitra) ended 10 h. 50 m., while the nakshatra was Pushya, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 18 h. 24 m., and by the Brahma-siddhânta for 16 h. 25 m., after mean sunrise.

152.—In the Śivayôganāthasvāmin temple at Tiruviśalūr.2

1	Svasti	érî	11-	[Pu]yal	vâppa							•
16				•	•	•	•					kð∍P[pa∃ra.
17	$k[\hat{o}\hat{s}a]r$	[pa]r	mar=[â]na T[i]rib	ստո[ըդթ]	chcha[]	kka]ra	vattigi	al Ma	[du]ı	ni[yu]m [P]ân[di].
	yan mudi-ttalniyun gond-aruli[na śrî-Kulô]ttunga-So[la											
19	dêvarkk	ո չ	andu	padine[t]	tâva[du]	} K	uու[bh	a]-nây	n[x]x	1	pûr[v	a]-paksha[ttu]
20	tri(tri)tîyniyum Śani-kkilamaiyum						p[e]				rattu	

"In the eighteenth year (of the reign) of king Parakesarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Kulôttunga-Chôladeva, who was pleased to take Maduraj and the crowned head of the Pandya. - on the day of Purva-Phalguni, which corresponded to a Saturday and to the third tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Kumbha."

The wording of this date is intrinsically wrong because on the third tithi of the bright half in the month of Kumbha the nakshatra could not possibly be Pûrva-Phalgunî; and the probability would seem to be that either has the first fortnight been erroncously quoted instead of the second, or Pûrva-Phalgunî (Pûrattu) instead of Pûrva-Bhadrapadâ (Pûrattûdi). In my opinion, the date corresponds to Saturday, the 3rd February A.D. 1196, which was the 10th day of the month of Kumbha, and on which the 3rd tithi of the bright half (of Phileman) commenced 5 h. 40 m., while the nakshatra was Purva-Bhadrapada, by the equal space system for 4 h. 36 m., after mean sunrise.

153.— In the Vataranyesvara temple at Tiruvalangadu.4

1	[Sva]sti [śrî] [*] Tribhuvanachchakkuravattiga] Maduraiyu[m 1]lamum	1
	P¦ân]di[ya]n mudittalai[yu]n≕go-	
2	[u]d-aru[li]na [śrî]-Kulóttunga-Śō[la]d[ô]va[r]kku yûn[du 2]3 vadu	
4	Kanni-nâyar[ru]=ppadinâ[rân=di]yadi[y]-â[ua]	
	Sevyûy-kka(kki)[la]mai[ya(yu)]m pû[ru]va-[pa]ksha[t]-	
5	tu [tṛi]tîyaiyum peg[ra] Śittirai-na[l].	

"In the [2]3rd year (of the reign) of the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Kulôttunga-Chôladêva, who was pleased to take Madurai, îlam and the crowned head of the Pandyn,—on the day of Chitra, which corresponded to the third tithi of the first fortnight and to a Tuesday which was the sixteenth solar day of the month of Kanya."

The date corresponds to Tuesday, the 12th September A.D. 1200. The preceding Kanyâ-sainkrânti took place 20 h. 58 m. after mean sunrise of Sunday, the 27th August; the first day of the month of Kanya therefore was Monday, the 28th August, and the 16th day of

Another inscription of the [1] fith year of the same king with apparently the same astronomical detail is found in the same temple (No. 42 of 1906). But the portion, where the fortnight, the nakshatra and the tithi may be expected, is damaged. What is actually found is [p4] Viyala-kkalariniyum perra Palsattul adl.

² No. 14 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1907.

³ Compare the dute No. 50, above, Vol. VI. p. 283.

No. 456 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1075.

the same month was Tuesday, the 12th September A.D. 1200. On this day the 3rd tithi of the bright half (of Âśvina) commenced 7 h. 12 m., and the nakshatra was Chitra, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 2 h. 38 m., after mean sunrise.—There seems no reason why the second tithi (dvittyaiyum) should not have been quoted in the original date instead of the third (tritiyaiyum).

F.—RAJARAJA III.

154.—In the Jambukêśvara temple near Trichinopoly.

1 Svas[ti] śr[î] [||*] [Tri]bhuvanachchakravattiga! śrî-Rājarājadēvarkku yāṇḍu 24[āvadu³] Mid[n]ŋa-nāyaṛṭu pūrvva-pakshattu čkādašiyum Śaṇi-kkiḷamaiy[u]m poṛṭa [Ś]ŏdi-nā].

"In the 24th year (of the reign) of the emporor of the three worlds, the glorious Rajarájadéva,—on the day of Sváti, which corresponded to a Saturday and to the eleventh Ethi of the first fortnight of the month of Mithuna."

The reign of Rajaraja III. has been found to commence between (approximately) the 27th June and the 10th July A.D. 1216. This date of the 24th year corresponds to Saturday, the 2nd June A.D. 1240, which was the 9th day of the month of Mithuna, and on which the 11th with of the bright half (of Jyaishtha) ended 3 h. 37 m., while the nakshatra was Sväti, by the equal space system for 5 h. 55 m., after mean sunrise.

155.—In the Jambukéśvara temple near Trichinopoly.6

l Svas[ti] śrîh [||*] Tribhu[va]nachchakravarttigal śrî-"Rûjarâjadêvagku yâṇḍu 2[97 âva lu*] Tulâ-nâyaggu-ppûrvva-[pa]kshattu prathamaiyam [Ś]evvây-kilamaiyum peg-

2 ga Šôdi-nâ].

"In the 2[9]th7 year (of the reign) of the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rājarājadēva,—on the day of Svāti, which corresponded to a Tuosday and to the first tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Tulâ."

The date, for the 29th year, regularly corresponds to Tuesday, the 4th October A.D. 1244, which was the 7th day of the month of Tulâ, and on which the first tithi of the bright half (of Kârttika) ended 12 h. 58 m., while the nakshatra was Svâti, by the equal space-system for 15 h. 46 m., and according to Garga for 3 h. 17 m., after mean sunrise.—For the 26th year of the reign of Râjarâja III. the date would be incorrect.

156.-In the Jambukésvara temple near Trichinopoly.9

Svast[i] śrî [||*] Tribhu[va]nachcha[kra]vettigaļ śrî-10Rájarájadévagku yáṇḍu 2[910âvadu¹0] Tulâ-nâyaggu pûrvva-pakshattu prathamaiyum Śevvây-kka(kki)|la]maiyum pega Ś[ôd]i-nâ].

"In the 2[9]th¹⁰ year (of the reign) of the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rajarajadéva,—on the day of Svati, which corresponded to a Tuesday and to the first tithi of he first fortnight of the month of Tula."

² This name consists of two abbreviations for the word raja placed side by side.

* This word seems to be denoted by a flourish added to the second figure of the regual year.

See above, Vol. VIII. p. 260.

• No. 5.1 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

• Tota name consists of two abbreviations for the word raja placed side by side.

7 The second figure of the date might also be 6.

* This word seems to be denoted by a flourish added to the second figure of the regnal year.

* No. 502 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

10 See the notes on the preceding date.

¹ No. 508 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

The date is identical with the preceding date, and corresponds therefore to Tuosday, the 4th October A.D. 1244.

157.—In the Jambukêśvara temple near Trichinopoly.1

1 Svast[i] šr[î] [||*] Tr[i]bhuvanachchakravatt[i]gal šr[î]-²Râjarâjadêvagka [y lându 2[9 âvadu]* Kumbha-nâyaggu-ppû[r]vva-pakshattu navamiyam Tingaţ-kila[m]aiyum pogra Urôšan[i]-nâ].

"In the 2[9]th year (of the reign) of the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rajarajadeva,— on the day of Rôhini, which corresponded to a Monday and to the ninth tirk of the first fortnight of the month of Kumbha."

The date corresponds to Monday, the 6th February A.D. 1245, which was the 14th day of the month of Kumbha, and on which the 9th tithi of the bright half (of Phalgana) commenced 1 h. 12 m., while the nakshatra was Rôhini, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 7 h. 53 m., and by the Brahma-siddhânta for 7 h. 13 m., after mean sunvise.

158. — In the Jambukôśvara temple near Trichinopoly.4

1 Svast[i] šr[i] [ll*] Tr[i]bhuvanachchakravatt[i]gal šr[i]-2Rājarājadējva]jku [yˈfandu 2[9āvadu]³ Kumbha-nāyaggu=ppūrvva-pakshattu navam[i]yum Tingatk[i]da[m]aiyum pega Uróšan[i]-uāl.

"In the 2[9]th year (of the reign) of the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Rajarājadėva,—on the day of Rôhînî, which corresponded to a Monday and to the minth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Kumbha."

The date is identical with the preceding date, and corresponds therefore to Monday, the 6th February A.D. 1245.

G - PERUNJINGADEVA.

159.—In the Jambunatha temple at Jambai.

1 Svasti śr[i] [||*] Śn[galabu]vanachchakkaravattigal śri-kô-Pperu[ñ]jingadêva[r] ku yându 16vadu Danu-nâyarra pû[rvva-pakshattu] trayôdas[i]yum Tingat-k[i]lamaiyu[m*] perza Urôśan[i]-anâl.

"In the 18th year (of the reign) of the emperor of all worlds, the glorious king Perunjingadeva,— on the day of Rôhini, which corresponded to a Monday and to the thirteenth tithi of the first [fortnight] of the month of Dhanus."

Above, Vol. VII. p. 165, I have found that the reign of Peruñjingadêva commenced between (approximately) the 11th February and the 30th July A.D. 1243. This date, of his 16th year corresponds to Monday, the 9th December A.D. 1258, which was the 14th day of the month of Dhanus, and on which the 13th tithi of the bright half (of Pausha) commenced 7 h. 48 m., while the nakshatra was Rôhini, by the Brahma-siddhânta the whole day, according to Garga from 1 h. 19 m., and by the equal space system from 13 h. 8 m., after mean sunrise.—Instead of the 13th, I should have expected the 12th tithi to have been quoted, especially as, joined with Rôhini, this tithi is a mahd-driddsi (pápa-ndšini).

¹ No. 500 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

² This name consists of two abbreviations for the word raja placed side by side.

This word seems to be denoted by a flourish added to the second figure of the regnal year.

No. 62 of the Government Epigraphist's collection in 1908.

No. 96 of the Government Epigraphist's collection 18, 1906.

[•] The syllables san[i] are repeated by mistake in the original.

160.— In the Gramardhanathesvara temple at Elvanasûr.1

- 2 jingadêvarkku yându muppadâvadu Tulâ-nâyarru apara-pakshattu
- 3 tri(tri)tiyaiyum Tinga[1]-kilamaiyum perra Kattigai-n41.

"In the thirtieth year (of the reign) of the emperor of all worlds, the glorious king Perunjingadêva,—on the day of Krittika, which corresponded to a Monday and to the third vithi of the second fortnight of the month of Tulů."

The date corresponds to Monday, the 10th October A.D. 1272, which was the 13th day of the month of Tulä, and on which the 3rd tithi of the dark half (of Âśvina) commenced 6 h. 40 m., while the nakshatra was Krittikä, by the equal space system for 13 h. 47 m., by the Brahma-siddhanta for 0 h. 39 m., and according to Garga for 1 h. 58 m., after mean sunvise.

A LIST OF THE DATES OF CHOLA KINGS HITHERTO EXAMINED.

A.-Parântaka I. Parakôsariyarman.

(Between the 15th January and the 25th July A.D. 907.)

No. 101 (Vol. VIII. p. 261).—Year 36, Kaliyuga 4044 (current): Saturday, the 14th January A.D. 943.

No. 55 (Vol. VII. p. 1).—Year 40: Saturday, the 25th July A.D. 946.

B.—Râjarâja I. Râjakôsarivarman.

(Between the 25th June and the 25th July A.D. 985.)

No. 137 (Vol. IX. p. 207).—Year 5: Sunday, the 1st December A.D. 989.

No. 1 (Vol. IV. p. 66),-Year 7: the 26th September A.D. 991.

No. 61 (Vol. VII. p. 169).—Year II: Sunday, the 14th June A.D. 996.

No. 25 (Vol. V. p. 48). -Year 15: Tuesday, the 29th August A.D. 999.

No. 27 (Vol. V. p. 197).—Year 15: Wednesday, the 15th May A.D. 1000.3

No. 138 (Vol. 1X. p. 208).—Year 16: Monday, the 23rd September A.D. 1000.

No. 139 (Vol. IX. p. 208). - Year 16: Sunday, the 13th October A.D. 1000.

No. 2 (Vol. IV. p. 67).—Saka 929 (current). The date is incorrect.

No. 140 (Vol. 1X. p. 208). - Year 24: Saturday, the 6th November A.D. 1008.4

No. 3 (Vol. IV. p. 68).—Year 28, Saka 934. The date would correspond to the 23rd December A.D. 1012, but contains no details for exact verification.

C.—Rajendra-Chôla I. Parakésarivarman.

(Between the 27th March and the 7th July A.D. 1012.)

No. 102 (Vol. VIII. p. 261).—Year 5: Tuesday, the 26th March A.D. 1017.

No. 32 (Vol. VI. p. 20). - Year 9, Saka 943 (current): Thursday, the 7th July A.D. 1020.

No. 4 (Vol. IV. p. 68). - Saka 943 (current): Wednesday, the 1st March A.D. 1021.

No. 5 (Vol. IV. p. 69).—Year 31 (for 21), Saka 954: Monday, the 23rd October A.D. 1032.

2 Read - Pperunjinga.º

¹ No. 159 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

In the original the week-day is wrongly given as Thursday.

⁴ The week-day is wrongly given as Wednesday.

- No. 33 (Vol. VI. p. 21).—Year 22, Saka 955: Sanday, the 25th November A.D. 1033.
- No. 34 (Vol. VI, p. 22),-Year 26, Saka 959. The date is incorrect.
- No. 62 (Vol. VII, p. 169),—Year 31: Friday, the 23rd July A.D. 1042 1

D.-Rajadhiraja I. Rajakesarivarman.

(Between the 15th March and the 3rd December A.D. 1018.)

- No. 15 (Vol. IV. p. 218).—Year [3]2 (for 22): Thursday, the 22nd November A.D. 1039.
- No. 12 (Vol. IV. p. 216).—Year 26: Wednesday, the 14th March A.D. 1044.
- No. 13 (Vol. 1V. p. 217).—Year 27: Wednesday, the 13th February A.D. 1045.
- No. 14 (Vol. IV. p. 217).—Year 29: Wednesday, the 3rd December A.D. 1046.2
- No. 11 (Vol. IV. p. 216).—Year 30: Saka 970 (current). The date does not admit of exact verification.
- No. 35 (Vol. VI. p. 22).—Year 35: Saka 975:—probably Sunday, the 23rd May A.D. 1053,3

E.-Râjêndradêva Parakêsarivarman.4

(The 28th May A.D. 1052.)

- No. 38 (Vol. VI. p. 24).—The 82nd day of year 4: Thursday, the 17th August A.D. 1055.
- No. 36 (Vol. VI. p. 23).—Year 6, Saka 979: Monday, the 27th October A.D. 1057.
- No. 37 (Vol. VI. p. 23).—Year 12 (for 11?), Saka 984. The date does not admit of exact verification.

F.-Virarajendra Rajakesarivarman.

(Between the 11th September A.D. 1062 and the 10th September A.D. 1063.)

Vol. VII. p. 9. - Year 5: Monday, the 10th September A.D. 1067.

G.-Kulottunga-Chôla I. Rajakesarivarman (Rajendra-Chôla II.)

(Between the 14th March and the 8th October A.D. 1070.)

- No. 56 (Vol. VII. p. 1).—Year 4: Thursday, the 7th November A.D. 1073.
- No. 39 (Vol. VI. p. 278).—Year 7, Saka 998: Friday, the 10th February A.D. 1077,6
- No. 63 (Vol. VII. p. 170). -Year 16: Thursday, the 12th March A.D. 1086.
- No. 6 (Vol. IV. p. 70).—Year 37, Saka 1030 (for 1028?). The date does not admit of exact verification.
- No. 9 (Vol. IV. p. 72). Saka 1035 : Sunday, the 22nd February A.D. 1114.
- No. 7 (Vol. IV. p. 70).—Year 44: Friday, the 13th March A.D. 1114.
- No. 8 (Vol. IV. p. 71).—Year 45: Thursday, the 8th October A.D. 1114.
- No. 40 (Vol. VI. p. 279).—Year 45, Saka 1036: Wednesday, the 9th December A.D. 1114.
- No. 26 (Vol. V. p. 45).--Year 48: Monday, the 7th January A.D. 1118.
- Nos. 20 and 28 (Vol. IV. p. 262, and Vol. V. p. 198).—Year 48: Friday, the 25th January A.D. 1118.7

¹ The nakshatre quoted 's intrinsically wrong.

² The 2nd title is wroughy quoted instead of the 3rd.

³ The 13th tithi has probably been wrongly quoted instead of the 3rd.

In No. 37 surnamed Rajakesarivarmen.

No. 273 of the Government Epographist's collection for 1904 contains a date of the 7th year of this king and of Saka 991 expired (= A.D. 1063-70).

⁶ The month Magha is wrongly quoted instead of Phalguna.

⁷ In No. 28 the 12th tithi is wrongly quoted instead of the 2nd which is correctly given in No. 20.

H.—Vikrama-Chôla Parakésarivarman.

(The 29th June A.D. 1118.)

No. 21 (Vol. IV. p. 263, and Vol. VII. p. 3).—Year 4: Monday, the 1st May A.D. 1122.

Nos. 103 and 104 (Vol. VIII. p. 262).—Year 4: Wednesday, the 10th May A.D. 1122.

No. 22 (Vol. IV. p. 264, and Vol. VII. p. 3).—Year 5: Monday, the 31st July A.D. 1122.

No. 57 (Vol. VII. p. 3).—Year 5: Thursday, the 31st May A.D. 1123.

No. 10 (Vol. IV. p. 73, and Vol. VII. p. 4).—The 340th day of year 5: Sunday, the 3rd June A.D. 1123.

No. 141 (Vol. IX. p. 209).—Year 6: Wednesday, the 7th November A.D. 1123.

No. 84 (Vol. VIII. p. 1).-Year 7: Thursday, the 7th August A.D. 1124.

No. 105 (Vol. VIII. p. 263).—Year 8: Tuesday, the 18th August A.D. 1125.

No. 42 (Vol. VI. p. 280).—Year 9, Śaka 1049; the 27th May A.D. 1127.2

No. 59 (Vol. VII. p. 5).—Year 10: Sunday, the 15th April, or Saturday, the 14th April A.D. 1128.3

No. 64 (Vol. VII. p. 170).—Year 11: Wednesday, the 19th December A.D. 1128.

No. 58 (Vol. VII. p. 4).—Year 11: Saturday, the 5th January A.D. 1129.

No. 65 (Vol. VII. p. 171).—Year 15. The date does not admit of verification.

No. 41 (Vol. VI. p. 279, and Vol. VII. p. 3).—Year 16: Monday, the 16th April A.D. 1134.

No. 43 (Vol. VI. p. 281, and Vol. VII. p. 5).—Year 17, Saka 1054 (for 1057): Thursday, the 18th April A.D. 1135.

I.-Kulôttunga-Chôda II.4

Vol. VII. p. 9.—Šaka 1056 (for 1065): the 24th March A.D. 1143.

J.-Rajaraja II. Parakésarivarman.

(Between the 6th April and the 11th July A.D. 1146.)

No. 85 (Vol. VIII. p. 2).—Year 4: Wednesday, the 23rd November A.D. 1149.

No. 86 (Vol. VIII. p. 2).—Year 6: Thursday, the 24th January A.D. 1152.

No. 89 (Vol. VIII. p. 3).-Year 6: Thursday, the 14th February A.D. 1152.

No. 87 (Vol. VIII. p. 2).—Year 12: Wednesday, the 26th March A.D. 1158.

No. 88 (Vol. VIII. p. 3).—Year 15: Thursday, the 12th January A.D. 1161.

No. 144 (Vol. IX. p. 210).—Year 15: Monday, the 6th March A.D. 1161.6

No. 142 (Vol. 1X. p. 209). - Year 15: Wodnesday, the 5th April A.D. 1161.

No. 106 (Vol. VIII. p. 263).—Year opposite to 16: Wednesday, the 11th July A.D. 1162.

No. 143 (Vol. IX. p. 209).—Year 17: Sunday, the 2nd December A.D. 1162.

K.-Rajadhiraja II. Rajakesarivarman.

(Between the 28th February and the 30th March A.D. 1163.)

No. 145 (Vol. IX. p. 210).—Year 2: Monday, the 30th March A.D. 1164.

No. 146 (Vol. IX. p. 211).—Year 8: Monday, the 10th August A.D. 1170.

No. 147 (Vol. IX. p. 211).—Year 10: Tuesday, the 27th February A.D. 1173.

No. 148 (Vol. IX. p. 212).—Year 11: Wednesday, the 15th August A.D. 1173.

No. 149 (Vol. IX. p. 212).—Year 13 (for 19?): Wednesday, the 8th July A.D. 1181 (?).

In the original data either the nakshatra or the week-day is quoted incorrectly.

¹ The 7th tithi is wrongly quoted instead of the 8th.

² The year Plava is wrongly quoted instead of Plavanga.

Perhaps identical with Kulôttunga-Chôja II. Rājakēsarīvarman, of whom I possess unpublished dates of the regoal years 4, 10, 14 and 15.

^b The month of Mina is wrongly quoted instead of Kumbha.

⁶ The 5th tithe is wrongly quoted instead of the 7th.

$\textbf{L.-Kul\^ottu\^nga-Ch\^oļa III. Parak\^esarivar man (Virar\^aj\^endra-Ch\^oļa, ^1 Tribhuvanav ir a^2)}.$

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(Between the 6th and the 8th July A.D. 1178.)
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No. 66 (Vol. VII. p. 171).—Year 3: Monday, the 11th August A.D. 1180.3

No. 67 (Vol. VII. p. 171).—Year 3: the date is incorrect.

No. 107 (Vol. VIII. p. 264).—Year 4: Thursday, the 11th March A.D. 1182.

No. 150 (Vol. IX, p. 213).—Year 6: Monday, the 16th January A.D. 1184.

Nos. 108 and 109 (Vol. VIII. p. 264).—Year 6: Thursday, the 5th July A.D. 1184.4

No. 68 (Vol. VII. p. 172).—Year 7: Wednesday, the 22nd August A.D. 1184.

No. 23 (Vol. IV. p. 264).—Year 8: Monday, the 8th July A.D. 1185.

No. 90 (Vol. VIII, p. 4).—Year 10: Tuesday, the 5th January A.D. 1188.5

No. 19 (Vol. IV. p. 220).—Your 12: Monday, the 4th December A.D. 1189.

No. 60 (Vol. VII. p. 6).—Year 14: Thursday, the 2nd January A.D. 1192.6

No. 110 (Vol. VIII. p. 265).—Year 16: Monday, the 17th January A.D. 1194.

No. 151 (Vol. IX. p. 213).—Year 16: Thursday, the 31st March A.D. 1194.

No. 2+ (Vol. IV. p. 265).—Year 16: Saturday, the 4th June A.D. 1194,7

No. 69 (Vol. VII. p. 172).—Year 17: Monday, the 13th February A.D. 1195.

No. 70 (Vol. VII. p. 172).—Year 17: Thursday, the 8th June A.D. 1195.

No. 152 (Vol. IX. p. 214),—Year 18: Saturday, the 3rd February A.D. 1196.8

No. 71 (Vol. VII, p. 173).—Year 19: Monday, the 2nd September A.D. 1196.9

No. 17 (Vol. IV. p. 219).—Year 19: Tuesday, the 12th November A.D. 1196.

No. 72 (Vol. VII. p. 173).—Year 19: Wednesday, the 30th April A.D. 1197.

No. 16 (Vol IV. p. 219). —Year 19 (for 20), Śaka 1119: Friday, the 21st November A.D. 1197.10

No. 111 (Vol. VIII. p. 265).—Year 20: Sunday, the 3rd May A.D. 1198.11

No. 31 (Vol. V. p. 199).—Year 20. The date is quite incorrect.

No. 73 (Vol. VII. p. 174). - Year 21: Wodneslay, the 7th April A.D. 1199.

No. 74 (Vol. VII. p. 174).—Year 21: Saturday, the 10th April 1199.12

No. 153 (Vol. IX. p. 214).—Year 23: Tuesday, the 12th September A.D. 1200.

No. 112 (Vol. VIII. p. 265). - Year 23: Monday, the 6th November A.D. 1200:

No. 113 (Vol. VIII. p. 266).—Year 25: Wednesday, the 24th July A.D. 1202.18

No. 44 (Vol. VI, p. 281).--Year 27: Thursday, the 5th May A.D. 1205.

No. 29 (Vol. V. p. 198).—Yoar 23: Wednesday, the 7th March A.D. 1207.

No. 114 (Vol. VIII. p. 266).—Year 32: Monday, the 21st December A.D. 1209.14

No. 18 (Vol. IV. p. 220). -Year 34: Monday, the 19th September A.D. 1211.

No. 91 (Vol. VIII. p. 4) -Year 35: Sunday, the 2nd June A.D. 1213.

No. 92 (Vol. VIII. p. 4).—Year 36: Monday, the 14th April A.D. 1214.

¹ This name occur- in the dates of the 6th and 7th years.

² This name occurs in the dates from the 32nd to the 39th year.

³ I now take this to be the proper equivalent of the date.

⁴ The 12th tithi is wrongly quoted instead of the 11th.

⁵ The second fortnight is wrongly quoted instead of the first.

A The first f ringht is wrongly quoted instead of the second.

⁷ The 4th title is wrongly quoted instead of the 14th.

^{. *} The nakshatra Pûrvu-Phalgun' is wrongly quoted instead of Pûrva-Bhadrapadâ.

The nakshatra quoted is intrinsically wrong.

¹⁰ The 15th solar day is wrongly quoted instead of the 25th.

¹¹ The nakshatra Uttarashadha is wrongly quote sinstead of Uttara-Bhadrapada.

¹² The month of Rishabha is wrongly quoted instead of Mesha.

¹⁸ The 5th tithi is wrongly quoted instead of the 4th.

¹⁴ The 9th tithe is wrongly quoted instead of the 8th.

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No. 93 (Vol. VIII. p. 5).—Year 37: Monday, the 17th November A.D. 1214.
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No. 30 (Vol. V. p. 199).—Year 37: Sunday, the 7th June A.D. 1215.

No. 94 (Vol. VIII. p. 5) .- Year 39: Wodnesday, the 25th January A D. 1217.

M.-Rajaraja III. Rajakesarivarman.

(Between the 27th June and the 10th July A.D. 1216.)

No. 115 (Vol. VIII. p. 267). - Year 2: Monday, the 29th January A.D. 1218.

No. 75 (Vol. VII, p. 174).—Year 4: Monday, the 22nd June A.D. 1220.

No. 76 (Vol. VII. p. 175), -Year 5: Wednesday, the 19th August A.D. 1220.3

No. 77 (Vol. VII. p. 175).--Year opposite to 6: Thursday, the 13th October A.D. 1222.

No. 95 (Vol. VIII. p. 6).—Year opposite to 8: Monday, the 7th October A.D. 12243

No. 116 (Vol. VIII. p. 267).—Year opposite to 8: Sunday, the 23rd February A.D. 1225.

No. 117 (Vol. VIII. p. 267).—Year 10: Friday, the 17th April A.D. 1226,

No. 78 (Vol. VII. p. 175). -- Year 10: Tuesday, the 21st April A.D. 1226.

No. 118 (Vol. VIII. p. 268).—Year 12: Monday, the 2nd August A.D. 1227.

No. 119 (Vol. VIII. p. 268).—Year 16: Thursday, the 10th July A.D. 1231.

No. 120 (Vol. VIII, p. 268).—Year 16: Saturday, the 22nd May A.D. 1232.

No. 45. (Vol. VI. p. 281).—Year opposite to 16: Saturday, the 25th September A.D. 1232.

No. 46 (Vol. VI. p. 282).—Year 17: Tuesday, the 18th January A.D. 1233,

No. 47 (Vol. VI, p. 282).—Year 18: Tuesday, the 23rd August A.D. 1233.

No. 121 (Vol. VIII. p. 269). - Year 18: Sunday, the 13th November A.D. 1233.

No. 48 (Vol. VI. p. 282).—Year 18: Wednesday, the 7th Docember A.D. 1233.

No. 122 (Vol. VIII. p. 269).—Year 18: Sunday, the 25th December A.D. 1233.

No. 49 (Vol. VI, p. 283),—Year 18: Monday, the 2nd January A.D. 1234.

No. 123 (Vol. VIII. p. 269). - Year 19 (for 18): Sunday, the 1th June A.D. 1234.

No. 50 (Vol. VI. p. 283).—Year 19: probably Sunday, the 13th August A.D. 1234.

No. 124 (Vol. VIII. p. 270). - Year 19: Sunday, the 5th November A.D. 1234.

No. 125 (Vol. VIII. p. 270).—Year 19: Thursday, the 25th January A.D. 1235.

No. 128 (Vol. VIII. p. 271).—Year 27 (?, for 21): Monday, the 12th January A.D. 1237.6

No. 51 (Vol. VI. p. 254).—Year 22: Tuesday, the 16th March A.D. 1238.7

No. 52 (Vol. VI. p. 284).—Year opposite to 22: Monday, the 28th February A.D. 1239.

No. 53 (Vol. VI. p. 284).—Year opposite to 22: Wednesday, the 2nd March A.D. 1239.

No. 54 (Vol. VI. p. 285).—Year opposite to 22: Friday, the 4th March A.D. 1239.

No. 154 (Vol. IX. p. 215).—Year 24: Saturday, the 2nd June A.D. 1240.

No. 126 (Vol. VIII. p. 270).—Year opposite to 24: Saturday, the 12th January A.D. 1241.

No. 127 (Vol. VIII. p. 271).-Year 27: Wednesday, the 30th July A.D. 1242.

Nos. 155 and 156 (Vol. IX. p. 215).—Year 29: Tuesday, the 4th October A.D. 1244.

Nos. 157 and 158 (Vol. IX. p. 216). - Year 29: Monday, the 6th February A.D. 1245.

No. 129 (Vol. VIII. p. 271).—Year 29: Monday, the 26th June A.D. 1245.

No. 130 (Vol. VIII. p. 272).—Year 30: Sunday, the 17th December A.D. 1245.8

¹ This surname occurs only in the date No. 45.

² The 5th fithi may have been quoted erroneously instead of the 4th.

³ The 9th tithi is wrongly quoted instead of the 8th.

^{&#}x27;[The last day of] the month of Kumbha has been quoted erroneously instead of [the first day of] the nume listedy following month of Mina.

In the original date either the nakshatra Uttirattadi (Uttara-Bhadrapada) has been wrongly quoted instead of Uttiram (Uttara-Phalguni), or the first fortnight instead of the second.

^{&#}x27; If the published reading of the original date is correct, the second fortnight has been wrongly quoted instead of the first.

⁷ The 4th tithi is wrongly quoted instead of the 14th.

h The 13th tithi is wrongly quoted instead of the 12th.

No. 96 (Vol. VIII. p. 6).—Year 32: Friday, the 7th February A.D. 1248. No. 97 (Vol. VIII. p. 6).—Year 32: Wednesday, the 22nd April A.D. 1248.

N.—Rajendra-Chôla III.

(Between the 21st March and the 20th April A.D. 1246.)

No. 79 (Vol. VII. p. 175).—Year 3: Saturday, the 20th March A.D. 1249.
No. 98 (Vol. VIII. p. 6).—Year 4: Sunday, the 12th September A.D. 1249.
No. 131 (Vol. VIII. p. 272).—Year 4: Wednesday, the 5th January A.D. 1259.
No. 80 (Vol. VII. p. 176).—Year 7: Wednesday, the 25th December A.D. 1252.
No. 83 (Vol. VIII. p. 177).—Year opposite to 7. The date is intrinsically wrong.
No. 132 (Vol. VIII. p. 272).—Year 9: Tuesday, the 12th January A.D. 1255.
No. 133 (Vol. VIII. p. 273).—Year opposite to 11: Monday, the 9th July A.D. 1257.
No. 134 (Vol. VIII. p. 273).—Year 16 (for 17): Monday, the 1st May A.D. 1262.
No. 135 (Vol. VIII. p. 273).—Year 18: Wednesday, the 2nd January A.D. 1264.
No. 136 (Vol. VIII. p. 274).—Year 20: Wednesday, the 20th January A.D. 1266.
No. 81 (Vol. VIII. p. 176).—Year 21: Wednesday, the 30th June A.D. 1266.
No. 99 (Vol. VIII. p. 7).—Year 22: Wednesday, the 20th April A.D. 1267.
No. 82 (Vol. VIII. p. 177).—Year 22: Sunday, the 8th May A.D. 1267.

O .- Peruñjingadeva.

(Between the 11th February and the 30th July A.D. 1243.)

Vol. VII. p. 164, B.—Year 7: Friday, the 30th July A.D. 1249.
No. 159 (Vol. IX. p. 216).—Year 16: Monday, the 9th December A.D. 1258.
Vol. VII. p. 164, A.—Year 18, Saka 1182: Sunday, the 31st October A.D. 1260.
No. 160 (Vol. IX. p. 217).—Year 30: Monday, the 10th October A.D. 1272.
Vol. VII. p. 165, D.—Year 31: Saturday, the 10th February A.D. 1274.

P.—Tribhuvanavira-Chôladêva.

(Between the 24th August A.D. 1331 and the 23rd August A.D. 1332.)
No. 100 (Vol. VIII. p. 7).—Year 11: Friday, the 23rd August A.D. 1342.

No. 30.—DATES OF PANDYA KINGS.

BY THE LATE PROFESSOR F. KIELHORN, O.I.E.; GÖTTINGEN.

(Continued from Vol. VIII. page 283.)

From the numerous dates of Pandya kings sent to me by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya. I here give five (Nos. 63-67), the European equivalents of which may be given with certainty. The remaining dates must wait till more dates of the kings to whom they belong have been discovered. Of those here published, Nos. 64 and 66 are valuable inasmuch as, taken together with previously published dates, they show that Maravarman Kulasékhara I. commenced to reign between (approximately) the 2nd and the 27th June A.D. 1268, and Maravarman Kulasékhara II. between (approximately) the 6th and the 29th March A.D. 1314.

^{&#}x27; The second fortnight is wrongly quoted instead of the first.

In a postscript I give a date of a king Rājakēsarivarman Vīra-Pāṇḍya, according to Mr. Venkayya a ruler of Koṅgu, which quotes both the Śaka year 1202 and the regnal year 15, both given in words. This date is of considerable interest, because my calculations prove its meaning to be this, that the day of the date fell in the 15th year of the king's reign which (reign) commenced in the Śaka year 1202 (and not, that the day of the date itself fell in the Śaka year 1202). The date thus suggests another point of doubt and uncertainty regarding the interpretation of dates that do not contain sufficient data for exact verification, even where at first sight such doubt seems to be out of the question.

At the end of this article also I give a list of all published dates of Pandya kings that have been examined by me, with approximate statements of the time when each king commenced to reign.

A.-MARAVARMAN SUNDARA-PANDYA II.

63.-In the rock-out Siva temple at Tirumaiyam.1

l Svasti érî [||*] Kô Mâgapanmar=âna Tribhuvanachchakravattigaļ śrî-Sundara-Pâṇḍiyadêvagku yâṇḍu 7vadu [Risha]bha-[nâyi]ggu=ppadinm[û]ngân-diyadiyum pûrvva-² mikshattu daśamiyum Nâyiggu-kkila-³

2 mai[yu]m per[ra*] U[tti]rattu nal.

"In the 7th year (of the reign) of king Maravarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Sundara-Paṇḍyadêva, — on the day of Uttara-Phalguni, which corresponded to a Sunday, to the tenth tithi of the first fortnight and to the thirteenth solar day of the month of Rishabha."

I have previously found 4 that the reign of Maravarman Sundara-Pandya II, commenced between (approximately) the 15th June A.D. 1238 and the 18th January A.D. 1239. This date of his 7th year regularly corresponds to Sunday, the 7th May A.D. 1245. The preceding Vrishabhasankranti took place 0 h. 4 m. after mean sunrise of Tuesday, the 25th April A.D. 1245, which was the first day of the month of Vrishabha; and the 13th day of the same month therefore was Sunday, the 7th May A.D. 1245. On this day the 10th tithi of the bright half (of Jysishtha) commenced 0 h. 43 m., and the nakshatra was Uttara-Phalguni, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 19 h. 42 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 16 h. 25 m., after mean sunrise.

For the reign of Maravarman Sundara-Pandya I. the date would be quite incorrect.

B.-MARAVARMAN KULASEKHARA I.

64.—In the Arjunésvara temple at Kiladi.6

1 Svasti śrî [||*] Kô Mâgava[ruma]r=âṇa Tr[i]bhuvaṇachcha[ka]vattigal⁷ [em]maṇḍalamun=goṇḍ-aruliya śr[î]-Kulnśôkharadêvagkku [yâ]udu 23vadu Mith[u]na-ṇâyaggu 6 ti³ pûrvva-pakshattu [tri]t[î]yai[yum] Vell[i]-kk[i]lamaiyum pegga Pûśattu nâ].

"In the 23rd year (of the reign) of king Maravarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Kulasekharadeva, who was pleased to take every country,— on the day of Pushya, which corresponded to a Friday and to the third tithi of the first fortnight (and) to the 6th solar day of the month of Mithuna."

¹ No. 387 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

¹ Read -pakshattu.

The whole of this line is engraved over an erasure. See above, Vol. VI. p. 305.

I.e. the tithi of the Datahard.

⁶ No. 447 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

Read ochakra. The syllable ti here stands for tivadi.

I have previously found 1 that the reign of Magavarman Kulasakhara I. commenced between (approximately) the 19th March and the 27th June A.D. 1268. This date of his 23rd year regularly corresponds to Friday, the 1st June A.D. 1291. The preceding Mithuna-samkrauti took place 7 h. 16 m. after mean sunrise of Sunday, the 27th May A.D. 1291, which was the first day of the month of Mithuna; and the 6th day of the same month therefore was Friday, the 1st June A.D. 1291. On this day the 3rd tithi of the bright half (of the first Ashadha) ended 3 h. 3 m., and the stikshatra was Pushya, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 14 h. 27 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 12 h. 29 m., after mean sunrise.

The date reduces the period, during which Maravarman Kulasékhara I. must have commenced to reign, to the time from (approximately) the 2nd to the 27th June A.D. 1268.

65.—In the Arjunésvara temple at Kîladi.2

"In the year opposite the 30th year (of the reign) of the glorious king Maravarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Kulasekharadeva, who was pleased to take every country,— on the day of Rôhini, which corresponded to the eleventh tithe of the second formight and to the 8th solar day of the month of Karkataka."

For the year opposite the 30th, i.e. for the 31st year, of Magavarman Kulasékhara I. this date regularly corresponds to [Saturday], the 5th July A.D. 1298. The preceding Karkatakasankranti took place 17 h. 19 m. after mean sunrise of Friday, the 27th June A.D. 1298. The first day of the month of Karkataka therefore was Saturday, the 28th June, and the 8th day of the same month was Saturday, the 5th July A.D. 1298. On this day the 11th tithi of the dark half (of Åshādha) ended 18 h. 55 m., and the wikshatra was Rôhini, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 23 h. 38 m., and by the Brahma-siddhanta for 22 h. 59 m., after mean sunrise.

C.-MARAVARMAN KULASEKHARA II.

66.—In the Bhûmisvara temple at Gudimallûr.

- 1 Suvasi⁶ [śrî] [||*] Kō Mâgapanmar Ti[ru]buvanachehakkarava[t]ti śrî-Kula-[ś]ógaradévarku yándu 12[âvadu]⁷ pann[i]ran[dâva]du [M]ôsha-náyagra pupu[gu]va-5pakshattu chatutteśiyum Velli-kkilamaiyum pegga Avittat[tu n]ál.
- "In the 12th—twelfth—year (of the reign) of king Mâravarman (alias) the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Kulaśekharadeva,—on the day of Dhanishtha, which corresponded to a Friday and to the fourteenth tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Mésha."

This date is intrinsically wrong because the nakshatra cannot possibly be Dhanishtha on the 14th tithi of a first fortnight in the month of Mêsha. Irrespectively of the nakshatra

¹ See above, Vol. VIII p. 273.

² No. 449 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1906.

Read "chakra," The syllable ti here stands for tiyadiyu.

No. 419 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

⁶ Read svasti

⁷ The word avadu seems to be denoted by a flourish added to 2.
Read purva.

the date would be wrong for the 12th year of the reign of Mâgavarman Kulaśékhara I. But for the 12th year of the reign of Mâgavarman Kulaśékhara II. (which has been found ¹ to commence between approximately the 6th March and the 23rd July A.D. 1314) the date would regularly correspond to Friday, the 29th March A.D. 1325, which was the 4th day of the month of Môsha, and on which the 14th tithi of the bright half (of Chaitra) ended 7 h. 9 m., while the wakshatra was Hasta, by the equal space system and according to Garga for 10 h. 30 m., and by the Brahma-siddhânta for 7 h. 13 m., after mean sunrise.—I have no doubt that this is the true equivalent of the date, and that the concluding words of the original date ought to be Attattu nôt, "the day of Hasta," instead of Arittattu nôt.

The date would prove that Maravarman Kulasékhara II, could not have commenced to reign later than (approximately) the 29th March A.D. 1314.

D.— JATAVARMAN PARAKRAMA-PANDYA.

67.—In the Satfagirinatha-Perumal temple at Tirumaiyam.2

- l Svasti śrî [||*] Śrî-kô-[Chchadsi]paŋmar-âṇa Tr[i]buvaṇaśa[kra]vatt[i]gal śr[i]-Parākk[i]gama-Pâ[ṇḍiyadē]varkku [û]ṇḍu 5vad[iṇ]
- 2 edir 7vadu -n[â]yaggu apara-pakshattu dvâdisiyum Nâyaggu-kk[i]lamaiyum perga Uttarâdattu nâ].

I have previously found³ that Jatâvarman Parâkrama-Pândya commenced to reign between (approximately) the 10th January A.D. 1357 and the 9th January A.D. 1358. This date of the 7th opposite the 5th year, i.e. of the 12th year of his reign, undoubtedly corresponds to Sunday, the 4th February A.D. 1369, which was the 11th day of the month of [Kumbha], and on which the 12th tithi of the dark half (of Mágha) ended 21 h. 7 m. after mean sunrise, while the nakshatra was Uttaráshāḍhā, by the Brahma-siddhânta and according to Garga the whole day, and by the equal space system from 6 h. 34 m. after mean sunrise.

The date shows that Jatavarman Parakrama-Pandya could not have commenced to reign before (approximately) the 5th February A.D. 1357.

POSTSCRIPT.

RAJAKESARIVÁRMAN VIRA-PANDYA.4

In the Kariyamanikka-Perumal temple at Vijayamangalam.5

l Svasti śrî [||*] Nanmangalañ=jirakka [||*] [Śaga]r-yâṇḍu âyiratt=iru-nûrr-iraṇḍil [kô]v=[Irā]śa[k]êśaripa[n]mar=âṇa [Tri_bhuvanachoha[kravat]-

2 tigal śrî-Vîra-Pâṇḍiyadêvarku yôṇḍu pa[di]ṇaiñjâvadu 6Tu[l]â-n⁴yarru apara-pakshattu=7Ttiṅgaṭ-kilamaiy[u]m dasamiyom pe[rra] Ut[t]irattu n[â]l.

¹ See above, Vol. VI. p. 315.

² No. 395 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1908.

³ See above, Vol. VII. p. 17.

⁴ This king is neither a Paodya nor a Chôla, but a ruler of Kongu; see Rai Baladur V. Venkayya's Annual Report for 1905-06, page 79.

⁵ No. 544 of the Government Epigraphist's collection for 1905.

[&]quot;The akshara tu is engraved above the line.

⁷ The guttural a is engraved above the line.

"In the Saka year one thousand two hundred and two, the fifteenth year (of the reign) of king [Rú]jakésarivarman alias the emperor of the three worlds, the glorious Vira-Påṇḍyadéva,—on the day of Uttara-Phalguni, which corresponded to the tenth tithi and to a Monday of the second fortnight of the month of Tulá."

The meaning of this date would naturally be taken to be that the day of the date fell both in the 15th year of the king's reign and in the Saka year 1202, either current or expired; but for either of these Saka years the date would be incorrect.

For the current Śaka year 1202 the date might be taken to correspond to **Monday**, the 2nd October A.D. 1279, which was the 4th day of the month of Tulâ, and on which the 10th tithi of the dark half (of Âśvina) ended 2 h. 37 m. after mean sunrise. But the nakshatras on this day were Maghâ and Pûrva-Phalgunî.

For the expired Śaka year 1202 it would correspond to Saturday, the 19th October A.D. 1280, which was the 22nd day of the month of Tulâ, and on which the 10th tithi of the dark half (of Ásvina) ended 18 h. 25 m., while the nakshatra was Parva-Phalgunî, by the Brahma-siddhânta for 11 h. 10 m., according to Garga for 15 h. 46 m., and by the equal space system from 3 h. 17 m., after mean sunrise.

The date would be incorrect also for the Śaka year 1200 (current or expired) and for all years down to Śaka 1214 expired. It would be correct for Śaka 1215 expired (= 1216 current), For this year it would correspond to Monday, the 26th October A.D. 1293, which was the 29th day of the month of Tulâ, and on which the 10th tithi of the dark half (of Kârttika) ended 6 h. 52 m. after mean sunrise, while the nakshatra by all systems was Uttara-Phalguni during the whole of the day.

I have no doubt that Monday, the 26th October A.D. 1293, is the proper equivalent of the date; and, in accordance with this result, I take the true meaning of the original date to be this, that the day of the date fell in the 15th year of the king's roign which commenced some time during the (current) Saka year 1202 (= A.D. 1279-80) that is quoted at the beginning of the date. For dates that have to be similarly interpreted, I may refer to Nos. 261, 262 and 269 of my Southern List.

A LIST OF THE DATES OF PANDYA KINGS HITHERTO EXAMINED.

A.—Jatavarman Kulasékhara.

(Between the 30th March and the 29th November A.D. 1190.)1

No. 2 (Vol. VI. p. 302).—Year opp. to 13: Thursday, the 26th February A.D. 1204.

No. 1 (Vol. VI. p. 301).—Year 12 opp. to 13: Saturday, the 29th November A.D. 1214.

No. 45 (Vol. VIII. p. 275).—Year 13 (for 13 opp. to 13?): Thursday, the 6th October A.D. 1216(?).

No. 44 (Vol. VIII. p. 275).—Year 14 opp. to 13: Wednesday, the 29th March A.D. 1217.

B.-Maravarman Sundara-Pandya I.

(Between the 20th March and the 4th September A.D. 1216.)

No. 6 (Vol. VI. p. 304).—Year 7: Monday, the 13th March A.D. 1223.

No. 5 (Vol. VI. p. 303).—Year 9: Friday, the 28th March A.D. 1225.

No. 46 (Vol. VIII. p. 276).—Year 15: Tuesday, the 3rd December A.D. 1230.

¹ Or perhaps: Between the 7th October and the 29th November A.D. 1190.

- No. 3 (Vol. VI. p. 302).—Year opp. to year opp. to 17: Monday, the 4th September A.D. 1234.
- No. 4 (Vol. VI. p. 303).—Year opp. to year opp. to 17: Monday, the 19th February
 A.D. 1235.

C.—Maravarman Sundara-Pandya II.

(Between the 15th June A.D. 1238 and the 18th January A.D. 1239.)

- No. 63 (Vol. IX. p. 223).—Year 7: Sunday, the 7th May A.D. 1245.
- No. 10 (Vol. VI. p. 305).—Year 11: Sunday, the 25th April A.D. 1249.
- Nos. 7 and 8 (Vol. VI. p. 304).—Year opp. to year opp. to 11: Wednesday, the 18th January A.D. 1251.
- No. 9 (Vol. VI. p. 305).—Year opp. to year opp. to 11; Wednesday, the 14th June A.D. 1251.

D.-Jatavarman Sundara-Pandya I.

(Between the 20th and the 28th April A.D. 1251.)

- No. 11 (Vol. VI. p. 306).—Year 2: Thursday, the 27th March A.D. 1253.
- No. 12 (Vol. VI, p. 306).—Year 2: Saturday, the 19th April A.D. 1253.
- No. 13 (Vol. VI. p. 306).—Year 3: Wednesday, the 29th October A.D. 1253.
- No. 17 (Vol. VI. p. 307). Year 7: Sunday, the 7th October A.D. 1257.2
- No. 14 (Vol. VI. p. 307).—Year 9: Tuesday, the 29th April A.D. 1259.
- No. 15 (Vol. VI. p. 307).—Year 9: Sun lay, the 15th June A.D. 1259.
- No. 16 (Vol. VI. p. 307). Year 10: Wednesday, the 28th April A.D. 1260.
- No. 18 (Vol. VI. p. 308).—Year 11: Tuesday, the 19th July A.D. 1261.3

E.-Vira-Pandya.

(Between the 11th November A.D. 1252 and the 13th July A.D. 1253.)

- No. 32 (Vol. VII. p. 11).—Year 7: Sunday, the 13th July A.D. 1259.
- No. 31 (Vol. VII. p. 10).—Year 15: Thursday, the 10th November A.D. 1267.

F.-Mâravarman Kulasêkhara I.

(Between the 2nd and the 27th June A.D. 1268.)

- No. 20 (Vol. VI. 'p. 309).—Year 10: Wednesday, the 5th January A.D. 1278.
- No. 48 (Vol. VIII. p. 277).—Year 22: Monday, the 27th June A.D. 1289.
- No. 64 (Vol. IX. p. 223).—Year 23: Friday, the 1st June A.D. 1291.
- No. 21 (Vol. VI. p. 309).—Year 26: Wednesday, the 18th November A.D. 1293.4
- No. 19 (Vol. VI. p. 308).—Year 27: Friday, the 10th December A.D. 1294.
- No. 49 (Vol. VIII. p. 277).—Year 30: Wednesday, the 31st July A.D. 1297.
- No. 65 (Vol. IX. p. 224).—Year opp. to 30: Saturday, the 5th July A.D. 1298.
- No. 50 (Vol. VIII. p. 277).—Year 34: Saturday, the 8th July A.D. 1301.5
- No. 51 (Vol. VIII, p. 278).—Year 29 (for 39): Saturday, the 9th July A.D. 1306.
- No. 22 (Vol. VI. p. 310).—Year 40: Saturday, the 24th February A.D. 1308.
- No. 47 (Vol. VIII. p. 276).—Year 40, Saka 1229: Monday, the 18th March A.D. 1308.

- In the date, which is intrinsically wrong, the month of Kanya is quoted instead of Tula.
- * Thursday appears to have been wrongly quoted instead of Tuesday.
- 4 The 2nd tithi is wrongly quoted, or misread, instead of the 3rd.
- * The 3rd tithi is wrongly quoted instead of the 2nd.

¹ The month of Mina is wrongly quoted instead of Mithuna.

G.-Jatavarman Sundara-Pandya II.

(Between the 13th September A.D. 1275 and the 15th May A.D. 1276.)

- p. 311).—Year 6: Monday, the 21st July A.D. 1281.
- No. 52 (Vol. VIII, p. 278).—Year 10: Monday, the 23rd July A.D. 1285.
- No. 54 (Vol. VIII, p. 279).—Year 12: Wednesday, the 27th August A.D. 1287,1
- No. 26 (Vol. VI. p. 311).—Year 12: Friday, the 12th September A.D. 1287.3
- No. 53 (Vol. VIII. p. 279).—Year 11 (for 12): Wednesday, the 29th October A.D. 1287
- No. 23 (Vol. VI. p. 310).—Year 13 (for 14): Monday, the 1st August A.D. 1289.
- No. 24 (Vol. VI. p. 310).—Year 13 (for 14): Friday, the 5th August A.D. 1289.
- No. 27 (Vol. VI. p. 312).—Year opp. to 14: Monday, the 15th May A.D. 1290.
- No. 55 (Vol. VIII. p. 280).—Year 2 opp. to 13: Monday, the 28th August A.D. 1200.
- No. 56 (Vol. VIII. p. 280).—Year 9 for 10(?): Friday, the 29th March A.D. 1286(?).

H.—Maravarman Kulasékhara II.

(Between the 6th and the 29th March A.D. 1314.)

- No. 29 (Vol. VI. p. 313).—Year 4: Saturday, the 23rd July A.D. 1317.
- No. 30 (Vol. VI. p. 313).—Year 5: Monday, the 5th March A.D. 1319.5
- No. 28 (Vol. V1, p. 312).—Year 8: Saturday, the 14th November A.D. 1321.
- No. 66 (Vol. 1X. p. 224).—Year 12: Friday, the 29th March A.D. 1325.6

I.-Maravarman Parakrama-Pandya.

(Between the 1st December A.D. 1334 and the 1st November A.D. 1335.)

- No. 33 (Vol. VII. p. 11).—Year 6, Saka 1262: Wednesday, the 1st November A.D. 1540
- No. 34 (Vol. VII. p. 11).—Year 8 (for 18): Friday, the 30th November A.D. 1352,

J.-Jatávarman Parákrama-Pándya.

(Between the 5th February A.D. 1357 and the 9th January A.D. 1358.)

- No. 67 (Vol. IX. p. 225).—Year 7 opp. to 5: Sunday, the 4th February A.D. 1369
- No. 35 (Vol. VII. p. 12).—Year 10 opp. to 5, Saka 1293: Friday, the 9th January A.9 1372.

K.—Kôŋêraŋmaikoṇḍâŋ Vikrama-Pâṇḍya.

(Between the 13th January and the 27th July A.D. 1401.)

- No. 59 (Vol. VIII. p. 282).—Year 4: Sunday, the 15th February A.D. 1405 (?).
- No. 58 (Vol. VIII. p. 281).—Year 8: Friday, the 27th July A.D. 1408.
- No. 57 (Vol. VIII. p. 281).—Year 15, opp. to 2, Saka 1339: Wednesday, the 12th January A.D. 1418.

¹ The 31st solar day is wrongly quoted instead of the 30th.

² The 13th tithe is wrongly quoted instead of the 3rd. * The [first day of the] month of Kunya is wrongly quoted instead of [the last day of] Simha.

⁴ This date may possibly be one of the 8th year of J. Sundara-Pandya I., corresponding to Friday, the 28th

March A.D. 1259. The date is intrinsically wrong. The month of Simha is wrongly quoted instead of Mina, and the nakviates Pushya (Půsat'u nát) instead of Půrva-Phalguni (Půrattu

The nakshatra Dhanishtha (Avittattu nat) is wrongly quoted instead of Hasta (Attattu nat).

⁷ in the cripinal date, which is intrinsically wrong, the first fortnight is wrongly quoted instead of the second, and the 3rd tithe instead of the 2nd.

L.—Jatilavarman Parakrama-Paṇdya Arikesarideva.

(Between the 18th June and the 19th July A.D. 1422.)

No. 37 (Vol. VII, p. 13).—Year opp. to 31: Thursday, the 19th July A.D. 1453,1

No. 36 (Vol. VII. p. 12).—Year 2 opp. to 31, Saka 1377: Monday, the 24th March A.D. 1455.

No. 38 (Vol. VII. p. 13).—Year 4 opp. to 31: Wednesday, the 16th March A.D. 1457.

No. 39 (Vol. VII. p. 13).—Year 8 opp. to 31, Saka 1381: Wednesday, the 17th June A.D. 1461.2

M.-Maravarman Vira-Pandya.

(Between the 13th March and the 28th July A.D. 1443).

No. 60 (Vol. VIII. p. 252).—Year 11 opp. to 2: Monday, the 28th July A.D. 1455.

No. 61 (Vol. VIII, p. 283).—Year 14: Sunday, the 16th January A.D. 1457.

No. 62 (Vol. VIII. p. 283).—Year 14: Saturday, the 12th March A.D. 1457.

N.—Jatilavarman Parakrama-Pandya Kulasékhara.

(Between the 15th November A.D. 1479 and the 14th November A.D. 1480.)

No. 40 (Vol. VII. p. 14).--Year 20, Saka 1421: Thursday, the 14th November A.D. 1499.

O.-Maravarman Sundara-Pandya III.

(Between the 2nd June A.D. 1531 and the 1st June A.D. 1532.)

No. 42 (Vol. VII. p. 15).—Year 22 opp. to 2, Śaka 1477 : Saturday, the 1st June A.D. 1555.

P.-Jatilavarman Śrivallabha.

(Between the 29th November A.D. 1534 and the 28th November A.D. 1535.)

No. 41 (Vol. VII. p. 15).—Year 3, Saka 1459: Wednesday, the 28th November A.D. 1537.

Q.—Jatilavarman Śrivallabha Ativirarama.

(Between the 23rd August A.D. 1562 and the 22nd August A.D. 1563.)

No. 43 (Vol. VII, p. 16).—Year 5, Saka 1489: Friday, the 22nd August 1567.

No. 31. - TIRUMALAL ROCK INSCRIPTION OF RAJENDRA-CHOLA J.

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When, more than twenty years ago, I started epigraphical work in the Madras Presidency, I prepared with my own hands an inked estampage of the inscription which is here re-edited. After Mr. Venkayya had joined my office in Bangalore, we spent a considerable time in reading and translating this record — one of the first early Chô!a documents we tried to make out in a reliable manner. The Tamil text of it as printed in South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. 1. p. 98, does not contain any misreadings. But the translation on p. 99 needs revision in the light of the other Chôla inscriptions which were published later on, and a facsimile of this beautifully

¹ Monday is wrongly quoted instead of Thursday.

² Saka 1381 is wrongly quoted instead of 1383, and the 23rd solar day wrongly instead of the 21st.

Only the date in line 12 should be '13' (instead of '12'); the same correction has to be made in the heading of the Plate facing p. 232 below.

engraved and well preserved rock inscription was hitherto missing. I therefore republish it now in Roman characters with a fresh translation, and with a collotype of a careful inked estampage which was prepared recently under Rai Bahadur Venkayya's personal supervision.

The inscription is engraved on a smooth piece of rock near a rock-cut Jaina figure on the top of the hill of Tirumalai near Pôlûr in the North Arcot district. The language is Tamil, and the alphabet is likewise Tamil, interspersed with a few Grantha words and letters (srasti ści, l. l.; shai of cishaiya, l. 9; Mahi^o, l. 10; Śrî-Rājēndra-Chôļadēva and ja of Jayangonda, 1. 12 ; śrî, Jina and dêra, 1. 13 ; vyâpâri, 1. 13 f.).

The inscription is dated in the 13th year of the reign of the Chôla king Parakésarivarman alias Rajendra-Choladeva I. (l. 12), who ascended the throne in A.D. 1012.1 Its first eleven lines consist of a passage in Tamil verse which describes the conquests of the king, and the first words of which (Tiru manni, etc.) are quoted - as pointed out by Mr. Venkayya - in Perundêvanar's commentary on the Virasôliyam.2

The list of conquests opens with Idaidugai-nadu (l. 1 f.), i.e. the country of Yedatore in the Myrore district, and Vanavasi, i.e. Banavasi in the North Canara district. The next item, the city of Kollippikkai, must have been included in the Western Châlukya kingdom. For it was set on fire by Rajadhiraja I. in the course of a war against Sômêśvara I. and Vikramaditya VI.,3 and it is mentioned as Kollipake in an inscription of Jayasimha 11.4 Manuai-kataka is identified by Mr. Rice with the city of Manne in the Nelamangala tâluka of the Bangalore district.5

Îlam (1.2) or Îla-mandala (1.3) is the Tamil designation of the island of Ceylon. Râjêndra-Chôla I, boasts of having deprived its king of his own crown, the crowns of his queens, and two other trinkets which the Pandya king had previously deposited with the king of Ceylon: a crown and the 'necklace of Indra.' Mr. Venkayya has pointed out that the Maharamsa (chapter LIII.) also refers to the crown of the Pandya, which had been left with the king of Ceylon and was taken from him by the Chôlas,6 and that the 'necklace of Indra' is alluded to in several Pandya inscriptions.7

The Kêraja (1. 3) is the king of Malabar. Sândimattîvu (1. 5), i.e. the island of Sântimat (?), is unknown. Muśangi is perhaps identical with the fort of Uchchangi in the Bellary district." Jayasımha of Ratta-pâdi (l. 6), who was put to flight at Musangi, is the Western Châlukya king Jayasimha II.9

Sakkaragóttam, i.e. Chakrakótta, is shown by the inscriptions of Kulôttunga I. to have belonged to the dominions of the king of Dhara.10 Madura-mandala (l. 7) need not be connected with Madhura, the capital of the Pandya king, who has been already accounted for (1. 3), but may be meant for the district of the northern Mathura on the Yamuna. The three next geographical names cannot be identified.

At Adinagar (?) Rajendra-Chala I, captured Indraratha of the race of the Moon (1. 8). As suggested by Prof. Kielhorn, 11 this prince may be identical with that Indraratha who is mentioned in the Udaypur inscription as an enemy of Bhôjadêva of Dhârâ.

¹ South-Ind. Inser. Vol. III. p. 196; alove, Vol. VIII. p. 262.

² Compare South-Ind. Inser Vol. 111. p. 197.

^{*} I'id. p. 52.

⁴ Above, Vol. III p. 231. Compare also Vol. VI. pp 224, 225 and 227 (Kollipaka).

^{*} Ep. Carn. Vol. III. p. 10 of the Latroduction.

Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1906-1907, p. 78.
 Ibid. p. 63 f.; Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. p. 72 and note 75.

^{*} South-Ind. Inser. Vol. 11. p. 94, note 4.

¹⁰ Ibid. Vol. III. p. 132. Ibid. Vol. 1. p. 96.

¹¹ List of Southern Inscr. p. 120, note 3.

Odda-vishaya (1.9) is the province of Orissa, and Kôśalai-nadu is probably Southern Kôsala. 1 Tandabutti, i.e. Dandabhukti and its ruler Dharmapala are unknown from other sources. The same is the case with Ranasura, who ruled over Takkanaladam (1.10), i.e. Dakshina-Virata² or Southern Berar, and with Gövindachandra,3 the ruler of Vangaja-deśa, i.e. the Bengal country. Mahipala, whom the Chôla king deprived of his elephants and women, is identified by Prof. Kielhorn with the Pâla king Mahîpâla L[‡]

The list of conquests closes with Uttiraladam (l. 11), i.e. Uttara-Virata or Northern Berar, and the Ganga, i.e. the river Ganges.

The short passage in Tamil prose with which the inscription ends (Il. 12-14) records its actual purpose - a gift of money for a lamp and for offerings to the Jaina temple on the hill by the wife of a merchant of Malliyur in Karaivali, a subdivision of Perumbanappadi. The temple was called Śri-Kundavai-Jinâlaya (l. 13), i.e. the Jina temple of Kundavai. This name suggests that the shrine owed its foundation to Kundavai, the daughter of Parantaka II., elder sister of Rajaraja I. (and consequently the paternal aunt of Rajendra-Chôla I.) and wife of Vallavaraiyar Vandyadêvar. The sacred hill (Tirumalai) is stated to have formed part of Vaigavur, a pallichchandam, i.e. 'a village belonging to a Jaina temple, '6 in Mugai-nadu, a subdivision of Pangala-nadu, a district of Jayangonda-Chôla-mandala. Malliyûr is the modern Gudimallur near Arcot.7 The remaining geographical names mentioned in this paragraph have been discussed in South-Ind. Inser. Vol. III. p. 89, and above, Vol. VII. p. 192.

In conclusion I would like to add a few words on the later conquests of Rajendra-Chola 1. which are registered in the Tanjore inscription No. 20. Mr. Venkayya has shown that my former identification of Kadâram with a place in the Madura districts must be wrong, because the Chôla king despatched an expedition to it on ships by sea, and because two of the localities mentioned in connection with this expedition, Nakkavaram and Pappalam, are, respectively, the Nicobar Islands and a port in Burma.9 Among the remaining items we read in line 9 of the Tanjore inscription nigaisir-visaiyamum, and in line 11 kalai-ttakkôr pugal talai-ttakkôlamum. The second of them, Takkôlam, may be identical with Ptolemy's Τάκωλα εμπόριον, which Colonel Gerini places at Takôpa on the western coast of the Malay Peninsula. Instead of the first, which I had translated by 'Vijayam of great fame,' an inscription at Kandiyûr near Tanjore reads nirai-śrivishaiyamum, 'the prosperous Śrivishaya.'11 This may be the correct reading; for according to the larger Leiden grant (l. 80) Srivishaya was the name of the ccuntry ruled over by the king of Kataha or Kadaram.

2 In his Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1906-1907, p. 87 f., Mr. Venkayya has shown that the Tamil term Ilada does not correspond to the Sanskrit Lata (Gujarat), but to Virata (Berar).

¹ South-Ind, Inser. Vol. I. p. 97.

² Page 34 of Dr. Burnell's South-Indian Palwography (2nd ed.) contains the following note:—"The great inscription at Tanjore (11th century) mentions a Séraman, but also a king of Karuvai (or Karûr) and a Gôvindachandra (king of Kannada)."-Kannada (~Kannada or Karnata?) is nothing but a misrcading of the word Takkanaladam, which happens to precede the name Govindatandam (1. 10), and Karurai, here represented as referring to Karuvur, is probably derived from Adinagar-avai (1.8). I am not drawing attention to these mistakes in order to gloat over them, but to prevent their being quoted as reliable facts.

⁴ List of Southern Inscr. p. 120, note 4.

⁵ South-Ind., Inser. Vol. II. p. 68. For three (ther princesses named Kundavai see Ind. Ant. Vol. XXIII. p. 298, note 13, and South-Ind. Inser. Vol. III. p. 100.

⁴ Above, Vol. VII. p. 116, note 1.

⁷ See Mr. Venkayya's Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1905-1906, p. 36 f., Nos. 418, 416 and 419.

^{*} South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 108.

Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1898-99, p. 17. Compare South-Ind. Inser. Vol. III. p. 194 f. 10 Journ. R. As. Soc. 1904, p. 247.

¹¹ See my Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1894-95, p. 4.

TEXT.

- 1 Svasti śrî [||*] Tiru manni valarav=iru-nila-madandaiyum pôr-chchaya-ppâvaiyuñ= jîr-ttani-chcholviyu..=dan porun-dôviyar=âgi inb=uru ned-udiyal ûliyut Idaidu-
- 2 rai-nadun=dudar-vaṇa-vêli-ppadar Vaṇavâsiyuñ=julli-chchûl-madir-Kollippâkkaiyu=
 naṇṇark-aru-muraṇ Maṇṇaikkaḍakkamum poru-gaḍal Îlatt=arasarda-mu liyaṇa
 âṅga-

3 yar dêviyar=ông-eliŋ-muḍiyu=muṇṇ=avar pakkal-Ttoṇṇavar vaitta śuudatamuḍiyum Indiran-âramun-deṇ-ḍirai Îla-maṇḍala=muluvadum ogi-baḍai-Kkeralar

i mugaimaiyig-chûdun-gula-danam=âgiya palar pugal mudiyuñ-Jengadir-mûlaiyuñjang-adir-vêlai-ttol-berun-gûvag-pal-balan-di(dî)vuñ-jeruvig-chena-

5 vil¹ irubatt-oru-gâl-araiśugaļai kaṭṭa Paraśurâmaŋ mêv-aruñ-Jândimattivv-aran² karudi iruttiya śem-boṛ-Ḥiru-ttagu-muḍiyum bayan-goḍu paḷi miga Muśaṅgiyil mu-

6 dug itt olitta Sayasi(si)ngan "ala-pperum-bugalodum pid-iyal Irattabadi (barai ilakkamu-nava-nedi-kkula-pperu-malaigalum vikkirama-virar Sakkaragottamu»

7 mudica-bada-vallai **Madura-maṇḍalamum** kâ-midai-valaiya=**Nāmaṇaikk**ôṇamum veñ-jilai-vîrar **Pañjappalliyum** pāś-uḍai-ppala-naṇ-**M**āśuṇi-dôśamum ayarvi-

s l-van-gi(gi)rttiy Adinagar-avaiyig=Chandiran=gol-gulatt-Iradaranai vilsiy amarkkalattu-kkilaiyodum pid[it]tu-ppala-danattodu nigai kula-dana-kkuvai-

9 yun jitt-arun jegi-milaiy bOtta-vishaiyamum bûsurar sêr nal-Kkôsalai-nadun-Danmabâlanai vem-munaiy-alittu vand-ugai-solai-Ttandayu(bu)ttiyum-Irana-

10 śúranai muran-uga-ttákki-ttikk-anai-gi(gî)rtti-Ttakkanalâdamuń-Gôvindaśandan máv-ilind-óda-ttangâda-śâral Vangâla-déśamun-dôdu-gadag-changugottan-6 Mahibálanai

11 veñ-jama[r*]-valâgatt-añjuvitt=aruli on-diral yânaiyum pendir-bandâremunittila-neduñ-gadal=Utti[ra]lâdamum veri-manar-rîrtta-tteri-buṇar=Kaṅgaiyumâ-p-

12 poru-dandar-konda kó=Pparagésaribanmar=nna udaiyar Sri-Rajendra-Chóladévarku yandu l3avadu [Ja]yangonda-Sóla-mandalattu Pangala-nattu naduvil

13 va[g]ai Mugai-nattu=ppallichehaudam Vaigavūr=Ttirumalai Šri-Kundavai-Jinalayattu dėvarku=Pporumbanappadi=Kkaraivali Malliyūr irukkum vyk

14 pâri Nannappayan manavâtti Sâmundappai vaitta tirunandavilakku onrinukkukkâsu irubadum [tiru]vamudukku vaitta kâsu pattum [||*]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Hail! Prosperity!

(L. 12.) In the 13th year (of the reign) of king Parakésarivarman alias the lord Sri-Rajéndra-Chôladéva, who,—

Rend = chinavi. . Rend ofthe-aran.

Other inscriptions read alapp-arum; see South-Ind. Inser. Vol. II. p. 93, note 5.

Relat Indicaradanal. That this is the original reading, becomes more than probable in the following immufer:—(1) The doubtful word may be expected to rhyme on Chandira, the third word before it. (2) The jore inscription No. 20 reads Indicadanai. (3) Indranaha is the only correct Sanskrit name I can think of, which would account for both corrupt readings.

The Tanjere inscription No. 20 reads kiff-arun=jeri-minai.

Read; as in the Tanjare inscription No. 20, todu-galar-changue-offal.

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- (1.71.) in (his) life of high prosperity, while Tiru (Lakshmi), having become constant, was increasing, (and) while the goldess of the great earth, the goldess of victory in battle, and the matchless goldess of fame rejoiced to have become his great queens,—
 - 1. 11.) seized by (his) great, warlike army (the following):-
- I. 1.) Idaidurai-nâdu; Vapavâsi, (round which) a fence of continuous forests was sproading; Kollippakkai, whose walls were surrounded with brushwood; Mannaikkadakkam, whose strength was unapproachable; the crown of the king of Ilam (on) the tempestuous ocean; the exceedingly fine crowns of the queens of that (king); the beautiful crown4 and the necklace of Indra, which the king of the South (i.e. the Pandya) had previously deposited with that (king of Ilam); the whole Ila-mandala (on) the transparent sea; the crown praised by many and the garland of the Sun, family-treasures which the arrow-shooting (king of) Kérala rigutfully were; many ancient islands, whose old, great guard was the ocean which makes the conches resound; the crown of pure gold, worthy of Tiru (Lakshmi), which Parasurâma, having considered the fortifications of Sandimattivu impregnable, had deposited (there), when, in anger, (he) bound the kings twenty-one times in battle; the seven and a half lakshas of Irattabadi, (which was) strong by nature, (and which he took), together with immeasurable fame, (from) Jayasimha, who, out of fear and full of vengcance, turned his back at Musangi and hid himself; the principal great mountains (which contained) the nine treasures (of Kuvêra); 5 Śakkaragôţţam, whose warriors were brave; Madura-mandala, whose forts (bore) banners (which touched) the clouds; Namanaikkônam, which was surrounded by dense groves; Panchappalli, whose warriors (bore) cruel bows; the good Masunidesa, whose fruits were fresh; a large heap of family-treasures, together with many (other) treasures, which he carried away) after having captured Indraratha of the old race of the Moon, tigether with (his) family, in a fight which took place in the hall (at) Adinagar, (a city) which was famous for unceasing abundance; Odda-vishaya, which was difficult to approach, taul which he subdued in) close fights; the good Kôśalai-nadu, where Brahmanas assembled; Tandabutti, in whose gardons bees abounded, (and which he acquired) after having destroyed Dharmapala (in) a hot battle; Takkanaladam, whose fame reached (all) directions (and which he occupied) after having forcibly attacked Ranasura; Vangala-desa, where the min-wind never stopped, (and from which) Gôvindachandra fled, having descended (from his) male elephant; 6 elephants of rare strength and treasures of women, (which he seized) after having been pleased to put to flight on a hot battle-field Mahlpala, decked (as he was) with car-rings, slippors and bracelets; Uttiraladam, as rich in pearls as the ocean; and the Ganga, whose waters dashed against bathing-places (tirtha) covered with sand,—
- (L. 12.) Châmuṇḍappai, the wife of the merchant Nannappaya, who resided (at) Malliyûr (in) Karaivali, (a subdivision) of Perumbâṇappâḍi, deposited twenty kišus for one perpetual lamp and ten kišus for offerings to the god of the Śri-Kundavai-Jinâlaya (an) the holy mountain (Tirumalai) of Vaigavûr, a pallichchandam in Mugai-nâḍu, a subdivision (vagai) in the middle of Paṅgaļa-nâḍu, (a district) of Jayangonḍa-Chôļa-maṇḍala.

¹ It seems most natural to take padar as a verb. It may also mean 'a road' or may be the nom. plur. of the Sanskrit bhata. 'a warrior.'

This was perhaps done by the besieging Chôla army when setting fire to the city. Among the meanings of sulli the Dictionnaire Tamoul-Français notes the following:—' broutilles, menu bois see pour brûler.'

² Other inscriptions read nannark-arum-aran, 'whose fortifications were unapproachable.'

^{*} It seems more simple to take the first member of fundara-mudi as an adjective, then to translate the compound by 'the crown of Sundara.'

See South-Ind. Inser. Vol. 11. p. 95, note 1.

[&]quot; Compare pagad-ilind=6da, ibid. Vol. III. p. 84, text line 7 f.

No. 32.—MAMBALLI PLATE OF SRIVALLAVANGODAI; KOLLAM 149.

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The copper plate on which the subjoined inscription is engraved, belongs to the Mâmballi bhandùrattil of the Mâmballi matha and was secured for me for publication by Mr. S. Govinda Pillai, High Court Vakil, Trevandrum. Besides this plate, there are five other odd plates belonging to the same matha, which bear fragments of inscriptions of the Kilappérûr i dynasty of the Veṇadu kings. In one of them occurs the name Śrî-Vîra-Dêvadarań-Kêraļavarman of Kilappêrûr.

The plate measures $10\frac{1}{3}" \times 3\frac{7}{3}"$ and has a hole on the left margin. It does not appear to have possessed a ring or seal. At the left end of the plate, the owner has engraved, in modern Malayalam characters, the word Mâmballi. Excepting this single word and a few Grantha letters interspersed in the document, the inscription is written in the Vaṭṭeluttu alphabet. The words srasti and sri in line 1; the letter sri occurring in the name Śrīvallavaṅgôdai in lines 7, 18 and 19; rakshi² and rakshi² occurring in the words rakshichehu and rakshihôgam in 1, 12 are in Grantha characters. The consonant k retains the earlier form, without a loop at the bettom; this form differs from the later ones which are scarcely distinguishable from the symbol for ch. The letter pù (of pùṅgù in 1, 3), whilst it has the common form in all other instances, looks like the Grantha letter hra. The language of the inscription is Tamil, tinged here and there with the colloquialisms of the Malabar Coast: e.g. irundaruḥy=ċḍattu vaichchu, (=at the place where they were pleased to be seated), in 1, 5; paṭṭāra-gakkoḷḷa for paṭṭāragarkk=uḷḷa (= belonging to the bhaṭṭāraka) in lines 6 and 12; arī for arīšī (= rice) in 1, 9; Muruṅnāiyūr for Muruṅṇaiyūr in 1, 21; Śanṅran for Śangaran in 1, 22; rakshichehu for rakshittu in 1, 12. The phrase nɨṇḍicheheydu is contracted in the modern Malayālam language into nāṇalichehe.

This is the earliest known record dated in the Kollam era, and belongs to the reign of the Venadu king Srivallavangodai. It is dated in the 149th year of the Kollam era,

¹ Kilappérûr is annexed as the house-name of the Vêṇâḍ (Travaneore) princes in later inscriptions (Ind. Ant. Vol. XXV. p. 190). It is a village about 8 miles to the north-east of Âggingal, which is the hereditary domain of H. H. the Senior Rani of Travaneore (Mr. Naganaiya's Travaneore Manual, Vol. 111. p. 579). The country round Ârringal seems to have been known as Kûpadêśa in ancient times. The late Mr. Sundaram Pillai was of opinion that Vêṇâḍu and Kûpadêśa were two distinct principalities and that the latter was at some stage of its history annexed by the rulers of the former. The Vêṇâḍu kings are said to have assumed the family name Kilappérûr after this annexation.—V. Venkayya.]

² [This name occurs without the title rira in a Vatteluttu inscription from Viranam in the Travancore State. The late Professor Sandaram Pillai has called the king Kérajavarman II. and assigned A.D. 1193 for his date (Ind. Ant. Vol. XXIV. p. 283).—V. V.].

In the name Śrivallavangōlai kōdai was perhaps an epithet of the rulers of Vēṇādu. The first part of the name, i.e. Śrivallavan (Śrivallabha) may be that of the king to whom Vēṇādu was feudatory. Such a combination of names is frequently met with in Tamil inscriptions. If the name Śrivallavangōdai be a similar compound, Śrivallavangor Śrivallabha might be the name of a Pāṇḍya king. The Pāṇḍya king, who prebably reigned about this time, was Vîra-Pāṇḍya, a ith whom the Chôla Âditya II, is said to have fought in his youth. Vîra-Pāṇḍya himself claims to have takeu "the head of the Chôla (king)", and a number of his inscriptions have been found at Śnehūdram in South Travancore. But we have at present no reason to suppose that he bore the name Śrivallabha, although the designation was common enough among the Pāṇḍyas. On the other hand, the Singhales- chronicle Mahāwamsa refers to an invasion of Ceplon in the period A.D. 975-991 by Vallabha, the Chôla king (Mr. Wijesinha's Translation, Chepter IIV, p. 85). It is, however, doubtful if the Chôlas were powerful enough to undertake an expedition against Ceylon at the time of which we are now speaking. And as the chronology of the Singhalese chronicle is not beyond question, we cannot suppose that the ruler of Travancore mentioned in the Māwhalip plate was a Chôla feudatory. The history of the Chêras is very little known. Consequently it is uncertain to which dynasty the Śrivallabha, whose feudatory the Vēṇādu ruler might have been in A.D. 973, belonged.—V. V.)

on a Sunday corresponding to the Aśvati-nakshatra in the month Vrišchika when the planet Jupiter stood in the constellation Tulâ. Professor Kielhorn kindly contributes the following remarks on the date:—"If the date were correctly recorded, it would correspond, for the year 149 of the Kollam era, to Sunday, the 9th November A.D. 973, which was the 15th day of the month of Vrišchika, and on which [the 11th tithi of the bright half of Mārgašīra ended 11 h. 12 m., while] the nakshatra was Rêvatî for 16 h. 25 m., after mean sunrise, and Aśvini (Aśvati) for the rest of the day. On the same day Jupiter's mean longitude was 191° 44′, and his true longitude 195° 27′, i.e. in either case Jupiter was in the sign Tulâ."

"The difficulty here is, that the day should have been described as the day of the nakshatra Asvini, when this nakshatra only commenced 16 h. 25 m. after mean sunrise; and I have no doubt whatever that either Asvini (Asvati) has been quoted erroneously instead of Rêvatî, or Sunday instead of Monday. If the week-day were Monday, the date would regularly correspond to Monday, the 10th November A.D. 973, the 16th day of Vrišchika, when the nakshatra was Asvini (Asvati) for 16 h. 25 m. after mean sunrise, and when Inpiter of course still was in the sign Tula."

The inscription informs us that Umaiyammai of Tirukkalayapuram, daughter of maichehan, set up a bhattaraka (image) in the temple at Ayurûr. The king Śrivallavańgódai made a gift of land to Umaiyammai for the purpose of keeping up the services of the bhattaraka set up in the Ayurûr temple; and she, in her turn, made over the subject matter of the gift to the Tiruchehengungûr temple, in order that it might be placed under the management of the Polurals of that temple. From the produce of the land so given, the Polurals of the temple of Tiruchehengungûr had to supply to the temple daily 4 milis of rice for daily offerings and annually 200 parais (of 9 nilis each) of paddy. If the word udai used in 1.18 was really meant to be used in the sense of 'of or belonging to,' the inscription would warrant us to draw the conclusion that Umaiyammai was a near relation of Śrivallavangódai — either mother or wife. It would then be more probable to consider her as his wife than as his mother, as the passage Śrivallavangódaiy=udai Ádichehan=Umaiyammai means Âdichehan Umaiyammai belonging to Śrivallavangódai. She might perhaps be the daughter of the Chôla king Âditya II., to whose time this record belongs. If, on the other hand, udai be a mistake for idai then no sort of relationship need exist between the two,

The inscription employs several peculiar terms which require some explanation each. The word $attipp\acute{e}ru$ (II. 8 and 19) implies 'acquisition by the pouring of water.' This mode of acquisition differs from others, such as purchase, $etc.^5$. The meaning of the expressions kilidu and idaiy=idu is not definitely known. Kil-idu literally means 'that which is placed under.' and idaiy=idu, 'that which is placed in the middle.' A piece of land placed under the management of a person was perhaps called a kilidu with reference to that person. If this person sublet to a third party, the person subletting seems to be the idaiy-idan, i.e. he is the middle man between the owner of the property and the sub-tenant. It is in this sense that the passages of the inscription, in which these terms occur have been translated. The name Pothril was given to a class of people who were eligible for service in temples. It has now

² [See below, p. 238, note 8.—V. V.]

^{1 [}According to the Editor's footnote 4 on p. 236, the name of the week-day is engraved over an erasure.—F. K.]

EThe record may belong either to the reign of Aditya II, or of his successor Madhurantaka. If Umaiyamai was the daughter of the Chôla king Aditya II., it is difficult to understand why he is described as a native of Tirukkalayapuram. In all probability she was a private individual.—V. V.]

^{* [}See below, p. 238, note 10.—V. V.]

become the name of a sub-caste among the Ambalavasi section of the Malayalis. Then again, the word $\hat{u}rilan$ is explained variously as a trustee of an endowed temple, magistrat del_{B} rille, or a patron or founder of a temple. I believe it is used here in the first two meanings. The term adhikari occurs in the inscriptions of the Tamil and Malayalam countries, and is used in the sense of 'an officer in charge of a division," and it is in this sense the term is used in line 23 of the present record. The phrase mukkálvattam implies, according to Dr. Gundert. a Bhagavati temple. If this be the sense in which it is employed in our inscription, then the bhattiraka set up by Umaiyammai might be taken to be Bhagavati. But its literal meaning. 'the three-fourths of a vattam (circuit or group of villages),' and the use of the bhattiraka instead of bhattaraki preclude the possibility of its being a Bhagavatî temple in the present instance. How mukkellvattam came to mean a Bhagavatî temple is not known. The meaning of the expressions Sirrûrnadai and Sirrûrnadai-ttandam is not clear. Hence they have been tentatively translated as "the custom obtaining in small towns" and "the fine levied in accordance with the custom obtaining in small towns."

The places mentioned in this inscription are: -Kollam, Tirukkalayapuram, Ayirur. Tiruchchengungur, Idaiyamanam, Murunnaiyur, Manalmukku, Punalur and Kudagottur. Of these Kollam, Ayirûr and Tiruchchengungûr are the modern Quilon, Ayirûr and Chongunnure (the head-quarters of the taluka of the same name) in North Travancore. Idaiyamanam might be identified with Edaman, a station on the Maniyachi-Quilon branch of the South Indian Railway; and Punalur is another station on the same line. I am not able to identify the rest.

TEXT.3

First Side.

- Svasti śrî [||*] Kollan-dongi nûgu-nâgpattonbadâm=ându Tul...
- ttul Viyala ninga Mirichchiga ñâyirru [Ñâyir-ânda]4
- Achehuvadi i-nnâ[;]âl Kollattu-p[pû]ngâvin kôyilu]-uya-
- riya kottilul Tiruchchengungur-pparudai-pperu-makkal kutta-
- irundaruliy-edattus n gudi vaichchu Tirukkalaiyapuratt - Adichchan Umaiyammai
- Aynrurig-piradittai-śoyda pattaragaraiyum pattáragarkkolla6 pûmiyam Adi-
- chchan=Umaiyammaikku [nî]rôd atti-kkoduttan Vênâd = udaiya Śrivallavangodai []]* | Adich-
- chan Umaiyammai tân-attirpêru kondadu Tiruchchengungur-ppattaraga-
- rkku-kkîl-îdây=chchiggûr nadaiy-odu kûda nanali-chehey da lri tiruvamudi-
- 10 nukkum [o]nbadi-nali-pparaiyal irunuru parai-chche[y]du nel andu-
- kuduppidága ppoduvál 11 kaiyyil nîrôd-atti-kkuduttâl [||*|] Ayurûr
- 12 kkâl-vattamum pattárakkolla7 idaiy-îdum rakshichchu rakshakoduttu pôgan-

¹ [The word adhikarin is also used in the sense of 'migister;' South-Ind. Insers. Vol. II. p. 92, and above Vol. VII. p. 196.-V. V.]

² [According to Mr. Nagama'ya the village is called Chengannur (Travancore Manual, Vol. III. p. 581) and there is a large and famous pagoda dedicated to the goddess Bhagavati, in which there is celebrated annually a festival lasting for 28 days .-- V. V]

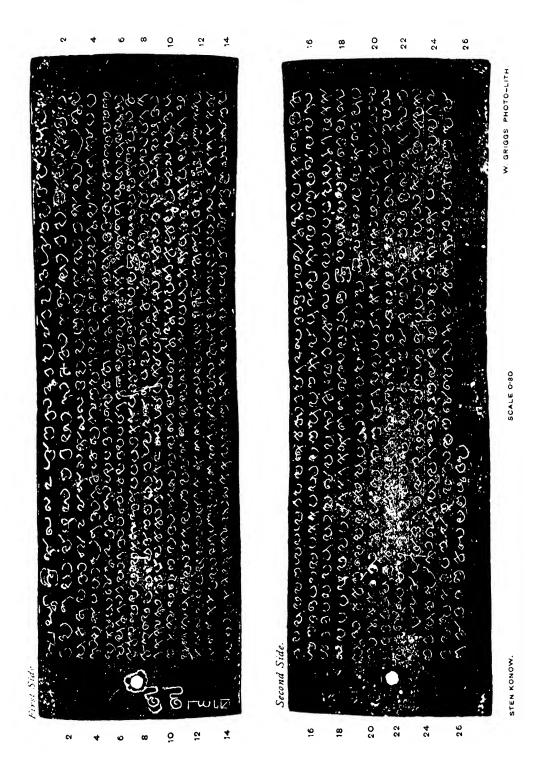
^{*} From the original copper pla .e.

[·] Read irundaruliyay-idattu.

Read pattaragarkkulla.

^{*} This portion is engraved over an erasure.

⁶ Bad pattaragarkkuffa.



- 13 gollakkadaviyar poduválmár [||*] i-pparišu šoyda kil-ittil úrálarága i-
- li daiy-îdarâga pukku vilakkavum porul kavaravum pegâr [||*] 1 idâ[nnâli]l ongu

Second Side.

- 15 Seyyumavan ²yoppêggu-vagai chchiggûr-nadai=ttandam irunûggu kkalañju
- 16 pon tanda-ppada-kkadaviyan [||*] avanku³ padu tangumavanum ippari-
- 17 so tandappaduvidu [[]*] i-pparisu môg-chollappatta Ayurûr mukkû-
- B l-vattamum pattåragarkk=olla4 idaiy-îduñ Śrîvallavangôdaiy udai-
- 19 Adichehan=Umaiyammai atti-ppêru kondadu [||*] Śrîvallavangodaiy-u-
- 20 dan irukka-Ttiruchchengunnûr-ppattâragarkku kîl-îdâga attiy o-5
- 21 datt agiyun-jadukkal Murunnaiyur Ttevam-Bavittiran nanum-agi-
- 22 van [||*] Idaiyâmanattu Śannaran Gandan nânum azivan [||*] Manalmûkki[n]
- 23 Kandan-Dâmôdaran nânum-arivan []]*] Vênâţţirku adigârañ jeygi-
- 24 nra Punalûr(i) Iravi Parandavan nânum agivan [1]*] Kudagoitûr:
- Pparau-25 dawan-Gandan nanum-agivan []]*] ivai Tiruchehengungûr-ppoduva-
- 26 | Sat[ta]n Jadaiyan oluttu [][*]

TRANSLATION.

(Lines 1 to 7). Hail! Prosperity! In the year one hundred and forty-nine after Kollam appeared, on a Sunday corresponding to the Achehuvadi (aśvati-nakshatra) in the month of Mirichchigam (Vriśchika), when Jupiter stood in Tulā—while the great men of the paradai (assembly) of Tiruchchengunrūr were pleased to be assembled on this day in the high hall of the palace (situated) in the flower garden of Kollam, Śrivallavangôdai, (the king) of Veṇādu gave, by the pouring of water, to Âdichchan-Umaiyammai of Tirukkalayapuram, the battārakar set up by Âdichchan-Umaiyammai at Ayurūr, and the lands belonging to the battārakar.

(Ll. 8 to 11). Adichchan=Umaiyammai gave, as kil-idu to the battarakar of Tiruchchen-gangar, by pouring water in the hands of the poduvál, "I what she acquired by gift," so that (he)

- 8 Read avanukku.
- · Read pattaragarkkuila.
- 8 Real attiyay-idattu.

¹ [The reading seems to be id[ai] naiyil-onru. If nai has to be taken as nA it would be quite different from the other nais which occur in the inscription and resemble the modern Tamil nai.—V. V.]

² [The reading seems to be verragen.-V. V.]

The original has Nayireanda Achehucadi, which would mean in Tamil 'the (nakshatra) Asvati (Asvani) which was governed by Nayiru (the Sun). If then the week-day be Sunday, Nayiruanda would correspond to the modern Nayiralcha and the word alcha which Dr. Gundert derives from the root alu 'to sink' may, in that case, he derived from the root al 'to rule.'—V. V.]

⁷ [The expression idattu raickchu of the original seems to be used in the sense of the modern Malayalam idattil rechchu which appears to be almost synonymous with the Tamil idattil.—V. V.]

^{* [}The word paradai occurs also in the form paradai and is a tadbhava of the Sanskrit parishat. - V. V.]

The original has " were assembled and were pleased to be scated." - V. V.]

¹⁰ [It was evidently the image of the god that was made over to Adichchan Umaiyammai; see below, p. 234, ^{50te} 19.— V. V.]

¹¹ [According to Dr. Gundert, poducá! means "a class of half-Brahmans, temple servants" and agappoducá! with pannal officiate as priests and administrators of temple property.— V. V.]

^{12 [}Attirperu is evidently the same as attirperu which, according to Dr. Gundert, means "complete purchase of a free h 'd." Mr. Nagamaiya defines the term as 'the out and out surrender of the jenmi's rights by sale (Transcore Manual, Vol. III, p. viii.)— V. V.]

might supply, according to the rate current in small towns, four nall of rice for (daily) offerings, and two hundred parai of paddy at nine nall per parai, annually.

- (1.1.11 to 13). The poduváls shall protect the mukkâl-vaṭṭam⁴ of Ayurûr and the idaiyidu of the bhaṭṭāraka, and take (a fraction of the produce) as remuneration for the protection (afforded).⁵
- (Id. 13 to 14). The *Gráfars* shall not enter as ⁶ idaiyidars in the kilidu (which is the subject of) this transaction, ⁷ and shall neither dismiss (the kilidars) nor collect the rent.
- (Ll. 14 to 16). He that reduces this to a fourth⁸ shall, consistently with the custom obtaining in small towns, be subject to the general fine of two hundred kalanju of gold.⁹
 - (Ll. 16 to 17). He that abets the former shall also be subject to a fine in the same way.
- (Ll. 17 to 19). Both the mukkilvattam of Ayurûr and the idaiyidu belonging to the bhattarakar, mentioned above, are thus the acquisitions in gift of Âdichchan=Umaiyammai (of, or) related to Śrîvallavańgôdai.¹⁰
- (1.1. 19 to 22). (The following are the signatures of) the sådhus who were present at the time when Adichchan-Umaiyammai, while she was with Śrîvallavangôdai, made this gift of
- ¹ [I take chirrdr-nadaiyédu kûda us meaning "together with the shrine at Śirrůr." Nadai (nada) is used for 'temple' in South Malabur according to Dr. Gundert, and there is a temple at Quilon called Ganapatinadai meaning 'shrine or temple of Ganapati.'— V. V.]

2 [I would read in the original chênad = ari (1. 9) and chênadu nel (1. 10) and take chênadu nel as equivalent to tennel which occurs in the Ambâsamudra-a inscription of Varaguna-Mahârâja (abovo, p. 90) and which accord-

ing to Winslow means " superior kind of rice, of a yellowish hue - as ienjali. "- V. V.]

- * [As the dative tirucamudinukkum is used and as the purpose for which the 200 parai of paddy had to be supplied is not stated, it looks as if the paddy was to be converted into rice and used for offerings. In this case, there is something wrong in the calculation here made. At the rate of four nali of rice per day the quantity required for a year or 360 days comes to 1,440 nali of rice or 160 para according to the equivalent of the para given in line 10. How 160 para of rice can be obtained from 200 para of paddy it is difficult to understand. According to the Tanjore inscriptions of Rajaraja I., 2½ times the quantity of paddy was required to obtain a given measure of rice, and 3 times the quantity according to the Ambāsamudram inscription of Varaguṇa-Mahārāja.—V. V.]
- ⁴ [The word mukkálvattam occurs in the Tirnuelli plates of Bhåskara Ravivarman, where Professor Hultzeh has translated it by 'temple' (Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 292). According to Dr. Gundert the term denotes in Travancore 'a temple of Konganimar.' An inscription at Tiruvalisvaram near Ambåsamudram in the Tinnevelly district mentions Tiriparadána ("dahanam) pannina sévaganár tirumukkálvattam, where tirumukkálvattam appears to mean 'the holy shrine' of the god Siva (No. 120 of the A. A. Superintendent's collection for 1905).—V. V.]

^b [According to Dr. Gundert rakshd-bhbgam is synonymous with rdja-bhbgam, which denotes the ruler's share. From certain Tellicherry records (1796-1799) it appears that this share amounted to one-fifth (of the revenue).—V. V.]

⁶ [The word *iga* here translated 'as' occurs in a similar context in the Tirunelli plates of Bhaskara Ravivarman (*Ind. Ant.* Vol. XX. p. 290, text line 17). It is apparently synonymous with the Tamil *deadu* or *dyrlva* and the Malayahan *dyatth.*— V. V.]

⁷ [I-ppariiu means 'in this manner, thus.' I would translate the passage thus: "Neither the dralar nor the idaiytdar shall be entitled to interfere and disturb the kilidu thus settled or to seize (any) property."— V. V.]

" I.c. he who contributes to the dwindling of this charity.

[1] would translate the passage as follows: "He who does any injury to this (contract) shall individually pay a fine of two hundred kalanju (to) the shrine at Siggar." See notes 1 and 2 on p. 237 and note 1 above.—V. V.]

Instead of Ayurariz=piradittai toyda pattaragar of line 6, we have here Ayurar mukkal-rattum which to a certain extent confirms the meaning 'shrine' of mukkal-rattam. Instead of pattaragarkk=olfa pani in line 6, we have here pattaragarkk=olfa pani in line 6, we have here pattaragarkk=olfa idaiyidu, which denotes the interest which the Ayurar shrine possessed in the land acquired by Adichehan-Umaiyaumai from Srivallavangdai. Consequently, the sentence repeats the statement make in lines 3 to 7 that Adichehan-Umaiyaumai had obtained the concession from Srivallavangdai. Accordingly, it seems to me that Scivallavangdaiy=ndai at the end of 1. 18 is a simple clerical mistake for Srivallavangdaiy-idai. If any such relationship as would be implied by the use of the word adai were intended, it would be more natural to expect it noted when Adichehan-Umaiyammaka mentioned for the first time. Besides, it would be unusual for the mother or wife of Srivallavangdai to enter into a transaction of this nature with him.— V. V.]



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land as idaiyîdu to the bhattarakar of Tiruchchengungûr:—1 I, Dêvam-Pavittiran of Murunnaiyûr, also know;3

(L. 22). I, Sannaran Kandan of Idaiyamanam, also know;

(Ll. 22 to 23). I, Kandan Dâmôdaran of Manalmûkku, also know:

(1.1. 23 to 24). I, Iravi-Parandavant of Punalur, the adhikirin of Venadu, also know,

(II. 24 to 25). I, Parandavan-Kandan of Kudagôţţûr, also know.

(II. 25 to 26). This is the writing of Sattan-Sadaiyan, the podovál of Tiruchchengungur.

No. 33.—THREE EARLY BRAHMI INSCRIPTIONS.

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I.—BRITISH MUSEUM STONE INSCRIPTION OF THE TIME OF KANISHKA.

On the occasion of a visit to the British Museum in the autumn of 1906. I discovered in one of the cases of the Northern Gallery the stone bearing the subjoined inscription, which, as far as I know, has nover been published before. At my request impressions were taken, from which I have prepared the transcript. Subsequently Dr. Fleet kindly sent me the photograph of the stone reproduced in the accompanying plate.

Nothing seems to be known about the origin of the stone, but the characters, the language and the date of the inscription prove that it comes from Northern India.

The sculpture at the top of the stone represents a man and a woman sitting on a bench. The woman to the left, wearing a loin-cloth and a girdle and the usual ornaments round the neck, the wrists, the ankles and in the lobes of the ear, rests her left elbow on the knee of her left leg which she has placed on the top of the bench, and turns her laughing face to the spectator. The male person also is wearing a necklace, bracelets, car-drops, and a dhoti covering the knees. He is sitting astride, and with the right hand he touches, or points to, a sort of stand placed between the two persons on the bench and bearing what would seem to be a cushion adorned by three small square marks and supporting some bell-shaped object. Right over the head of the man there appears something which at first sight looks almost like a club, but which in my opinion probably is the mutilated head of a cobra. As the stone is broken off immediately above the head of the female person, it is quite possible that her head also was overshadowed by a similar representation of a serpent's head, and it seems to me very probable therefore that the sculpture represents a Naga and his wife.

The writing is Bråhmî of the earlier Kushana type. The subscript ya is expressed by the full sign, and the sha shows the old form with the small cross-bar. The language is the usual mixed dialect. The inscription, which is dated in the tenth year of maharaja dôvaputra Kanishka, records the gift of a temple. Details will be discussed below.

loks as if Srivallavangodai was scated with the members of the assembly of Tiruchchengungar in the palace at Kolam (II. 4-5) while making the gift to Adichchan Umaiyammai. Accordingly I would translate this sentence as follows:—"(The following are) the saddhus who know (the transaction entered into) at the place at which (Adichchan Umaiyammai)—while Śrivallavangodai was sitting with (the assembly?) — granted the kilidu (of the land?) to the lord (bhattaraka) of Tiruchchengungar." The same fact is referred to in lines 8 and 9.— V. V.]

² [The name of the man was apparently Dêvan Pavittiran.— V. V.]

I.s. the terms of this transaction and bear witness to the same.

^{* [}Parandavan is apparently a tadbhava of the Sanskrit Paramtapa.—V. V.]

1 Siddha[in]1 maharajasya dêva[putrasya]2

2 Kânishkasya savatsarê [10]3

3 gri 2 di 9 êtayê purvay[8] 4

4 [u]tarâyam⁵ ua[va]mikâyam⁶

5 [rmya]n-[d]ata[n.]7 priyatâm dêvi 8 gra[masya].9

REMARKS.

1 The anusvira is indistinct because it is crossed by the line forming the base of the sculpture. - 2 The reading of the bracketed characters is certain, though the surface of the stone has pecled off at the corner, -3 This figure also has suffered from the pecling off of the surface, but the reading is beyond doubt ---4. The θ is very indistinct, and the correct reading may possibly be purvaya or purvayam. -5 At first sight one might feel inclined to read naturayam, but the base-line of the first letter is quite straight, whereas na has a distinctly curved base. The therefore sure that what appears to be the continuation of the base-line to the left, is merely due to a flaw in the stone .- 6 The two convergent side-lines of the va are not very distinct, just as in the same letter in line 3, and there appears a vertical in the middle which makes the letter look almost like na. But this line is far too thin to really form part of the letter and must be accidental .-- 7 The bracketed letters of these two words are more or less damaged, but the reading seems to be sure.—8 The d-stroke is added to the top of the letter, whereas in $d\ell$ in the first line it is added in the middle. -9 The last two letters are damaged, but only the ya can be said to be conjectural.

TRANSLATION.

Success! In the year 10 of the maharaja divaputra Kanishka, in the second (month of) summer, on the ninth day,—on that (date specified as) above a temple was given in the northern naramika (?). May the goddess of the village be pleased!

NOTES.

The orthography of the inscription is very irregular, double consonants, long vowels and the anusvára being frequently not expressed in writing. A long \hat{a} appears in the word $h\hat{a}rmya$. According to the St. Petersburg Dictionary the same form is found also in the Taitt. Ar. 11, 6, 2 instead of the ordinary harmya occurring in the corresponding verse in Atharvav. XVIII, 4, 55. In harmyan-datam the final m is converted into the nasal before the following mute, which is rare in inscriptions in this dialect. Another instance is found in the concluding words of the Mathurs inscription, above Vol. I. p. 386, No. 8: priyatâm-bhagavân=Rishabhaśrih, which at the same time help us to understand the phrase found at the end of the present record: priyatiin déri grâmasya.

Of greater interest is the spelling of the king's name, Kanishka, with a long vowel in the first syllable and a lingual n. With regard to the latter point, the seven Brahmi inscriptions that have preserved the name are in perfect agreement. In the Kharôshthî inscriptions of Saê Vihar 2 and Zeda 3 the name is read as Kanishka, in that of Manikyala as Kaneshka, 4 but 1 am by no means sure whether in the two last mentioned inscriptions the readings Kanishka and

¹ Mathurâ inser. of S. 5, Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p. 34 ff., No. 4; Mathurâ inser. of S. 7, above Vol. L. p. 391, No. 19; Mathurâ iuser, of S. 9, Vienna Or. Journ. Vol. I. p. 178, No. 2, and Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p. 37, No. 6; Mathurâ inser., Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p 149, No. 25; Sârnâth inser. of S. 3, above Vol. VIII. p. 176, No. 3*; Sårnåth inser, of S. 3, above Vol. III. p. 179, No. 34,

² Ind. Ant. Vol. X. p. 326. Journ. As. Ser. VIII. Vol. XV. p. 137.

^{*} Journ. As. Ser. IX. Vol. VII. p. 8.



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Kansshka would not be preferable. On the whole, contemporary records certainly are in favour of the spelling with the lingual n, and I would therefore propose to use Kanishka as the common form of the name. The spelling with the long vowel in the first syllable as in the present inscription is unusual, but it does not stand quite alone. In the Sârnâth inscription, No. 3°, the editor, it is true, reads Kanishkasya, but the photo-lithograph¹ distinctly shows Kānishkasya.

Turning to the special object of the inscription, we may infer from the concluding words that the temple was dedicated to a goddess, and the representation of the two Nâgas above the inscription makes it not unlikely, I think, that the goddess intended was a Nâgî. That during the Kashana period there existed temples for the worship of scrpents in Northern India, is well attested by the two Mathurâ inscriptions² which mention the temple (st[h]ina) of the nageindra Dadhikarna and a servant at the temple of the same Dadhikarna (Dadhikarnadivikulika).

The most difficult words of the inscription are utarâyam navamikâyam. I have thought for some time that they might be part of the date and mean 'on the following (i.e. intercalated) ninth (tanar day)', but for two reasons this idea must be given up. Firstly, such a statement would be in the wrong place after ôtayê purrayê, and secondly, as Professor Kielhorn informs me, uttara is never used in the sense of adleika or dvitiya.³ The words must therefore be connected with hirmyan-datam, and as a form ending in -dyam can hardly be anything else but the locative singular of a stem in d; utarâ navamikâ would seem to denote either the locality where the temple was creeted or, possibly, the goddess to whom it was dedicated. However, these explanations are far from satisfactory. Neither has navamikâ the appearance of being the name of a locality, nor does utarâ navamikâ in the least sound like the name of a goddess or a Nâgî. I am at present anable to solve this difficulty.

II.—MATHURÂ STONE INSCRIPTION, DATED SAMVAT 74.

This inscription is engraved on a stone-slab discovered by Sir Alexander Cunningham in the Jail Mound at Mathura. It was first edited in 1870, together with facsimiles, by Rajendralala Mitra in the Journ. Beng. As Soc. Vol. XXXIX. Part I. p. 129, No. 15, and by Dowson in the Journ. Roy. As. Soc. New Ser. Vol. V. p. 183, No. 4. In 1873 Cunningham published it again with a facsimile in the Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. III. p. 32, No. 8, and in 1904 I have treated it myself in the Ind. Aut. Vol. XXXIII. p. 106, No. 20. I edit it here again for a special reason. When I was in Oxford in 1905, Professor Hoernle kindly made over to me the collection of impressions, rubbings and drawings of inscriptions formed by him when preparing the second volume of the Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum, which was to contain the 'Indo-Scythie' inscriptions. In this collection there is also the impression which I have used for the present edition. It cannot be said to be first-rate and, as unfortunately most of the impressions of this collection, it has been tampered with in some places by pencilling out parts of letters that in the impression itself are more or less effaced. Nevertheless the impression is of the greatest value as shown by the following note written on the margin, probably by General Cunningham himself: 'The only impression now available.—The stone has been lost at Agra.' Under these circumstances it seemed to me desirable to publish the accompanying reproduction of the impression, which in spite of its shortcomings naturally is far superior to the drawings published hitherto. Professor Hoernle's collection contains besides two facsimiles. The one is an eye-copy in red and blue pencil on a slightly reduced scale, made according to a marginal note by Captain Watis, Royal Engineers, the other is a pencil-tracing on transparent paper, perhaps made from the stone itself, but afterwards gone over with China-ink, blue and red pencil, and practically of no value.

¹ [I have some weeks ago examined the original and the d is quite certain.—S. K.] ² Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 390, No. 18; Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p. 102, No. 13.

Professor Hultzsch writes to me that he is never: beless inclined to connect utardyam navamikdyam with the date, but he would take utlara in the sense of uchyamana, upari-likhita, 'above-mentioned.'

The inscription is divided by a blank space into two parts. The upper portion, containing eight lines, is complete with the exception of some letters at the end of the first two lines, which have disappeared by the breaking off of the right corner of the stone. Of the lower portion which in Dowson's and Cunningham's facsimiles has been omitted altogether, nothing is left but faint traces of some characters in the first line. The characters are Brahmi of the Kushana type, The sha appears in the older form with the small cross-bar, but the subscript ya shows the cursive form. The language is the mixed dialect. The inscription is dated in the year 74 of a mahārāja rā[jātirāja] dôvaputra whose name began with Vāsu, but owing to its fragmentary state its real purport cannot be made out.

TEXT.

- 1 Maharajasya¹ dêvaputrasya
- Vasu....3
- 3 savatsarê⁴ 70⁶ 4 varsham[â]-6
- 4 sê prathamê divasê
- 5 tris[e]7 30 asyam⁸ purvvayam⁹
- 6 Talakiy [6] 10 mahadânda-
- 7 nayakasya¹¹ Vâ-
- $8 \operatorname{linas}[y]a^{12}$ k|shê|t[rô]13 Mihi-
- 9 [mahâdaṇḍa]14-.

REMARKS.

1 The a-stroke is distinctly visible in the impression, although it does not appear in Capt. Watts' eye-copy.—2 The \(d\)-stroke is uncertain. Restore \(rd\)jdtirdja-.—3 The \(d\)-stroke is quite distinct, though here again it is omitted in Capt. Watts' eye-copy. As regards the restoring of the line, I refer to the remarks below. 4 The d-stroke, omitted in Capt. Watts' eye-copy, is quite distinct. -5 Owing to a flaw in the stone, a small portion of the lower left cross-bar of the symbol has disappeared. In the impression somebody has tried to restore the missing portion by adding in pencil a hook turning upwards, but there is nothing to warrant this restoration. There can be no doubt that the symbol had the shape of a plain St. Andrew's cross, just as in other inscriptions. The lower right cross-bar also has been pencilled over in the impression, but this is of no consequence as it is perfectly distinct. The meaning of the symbol will be discussed below. -6 The upper portion of the m and the d are not quite distinct.-7 The 8-stroke is indistinct, and the sa has suffered from a hole in the paper. - 8 The apparent curving of the tail of the a has been caused by pencilling. In Capt. Watts' eye-copy the tail is quite straight.—9 Above the pu there is a distinct stroke which must be accidental.—10 There are some strokes behind and below the ta, but they are not noticed in Capt. Watts' eye-copy and may be accidental. The 3-stroke is not very distinct, and the reading Talakiyam would be possible.-11 Capt. Watts expressly states that there are no traces of letters before the nd of line 7 and the li of line 8. The nd has been pencilled over so as to look almost like sd, but there can be no doubt that it is $n\hat{a}$, and as such it appears also in Capt. Watts' eye-copy.—12 The ya is damaged, but certain.— 13 The ksh of the first and the r of the second syllable are damaged, but certain. The d of kshl is very faint and not given in Capt. Watts' eye-copy. The last syllable may also be trô as in Capt Watts' eye-copy .- 14 Of this word only faint traces are visible in the impression, and the reading rests almost entirely on Capt. Watts' eye-copy. Instead of da Capt. Watts gives dd.

TRANSLATION.

In the year 74 of the mahardja rajdtiraja devaputra Vasu...., in the first month of the rainy season, on the thirtieth day, 30,—on that (the specified as) above, in the field (?) of the great general Vålina at Talakiya (or Talaki?) Mihi......

Mathura inscription of Samvat 74. Scale 5



NOTES

The orthography shows the usual features. The lengthening of the vowel in ddnda appears again in the same word in the Sot-Mahot inscription, above Vol. VIII, p. 181, and we may further compare such forms as dintdvdsisa and dintdvdsiniyd in the Mathurá inscriptions, Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 198 f., Nos. 1 and 4.

As regards the date, the first symbol of the date of the year requires a fuller consideration, as it has been differently interpreted. As already stated above, it has the shape of a St. Andrew's cross. Cunningham's originally read it as 40, and he was followed by Dowson, who in editing the Mathurâ inscriptions everywhere adopted Cunningham's readings of the dates.² In 1891 Bühler expressed his belief that the sign really represented 70,³ and this opinion was endorsed in the following year by Cunningham in his paper on the coins of the Kushanas in the Numismatic Chronicle, Ser. III. Vol. XII. p. 50, note 6.

I accordingly read the symbol as 70 when I published the inscription in the Indian Antiquary, and I am still convinced that Bühler was right, but in order to settle this question definitely, it will be necessary to examine the other Northern Brâhmî inscriptions where the same sign occurs. They are the following seven, all of which come from Mathura or its neighbourhood:—

- (1) Mathurâ inscription of the time of svâmin mahâkshatrapa Śodâsa, Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 199, No. 2, and Plato. In the Vienna Or. Journ. Vol. V. p. 177, Bühler read the symbol as 40, adding 70 in brackets. In the Ep. Ind., loo. cit., Bühler again gave 40 in the text, but added in a note that the symbol might possibly be 70. And lastly in Ep. Ind. Vol. IV. p. 55, note 2, he stated that he would now remove the alternative reading 42, which he had thought admissible at first.
- (2) Kåman inscription, Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 212, No. 42, and Plate. Here Bühler rendered the sign by 70 in the text, but added in a footnote that it might also be read as 40.
- (3) Mathura inscription, Journ. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XXXIX. Part I. p. 130, No. 17, and Plate; Journ. Roy. As. Soc. New Ser. Vol. V. p. 183, No. 5, and Plate; Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. III. p. 33, No. 11, and Plate. Cunningham and Dowson read the sign as 40, and 1 have followed them in Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p. 102.
- (4) Mathurâ inscription, Journ. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XXXIX. Part I. p. 127, No. 1, and Plate; Journ. Roy. As. Soc. New Ser. Vol. V. p. 182, No. 1, and Plate; Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. 111. p. 33, No. 12, and Plate. Cunningham and Dowson rend the sign as 40, and I have adopted this reading in Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p. 101, No. 11.
- (5) Mathurâ inscription, Journ. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XXXIX. Part I. p. 127, No. 2, and Plate; Journ. Roy. As. Soc. New Ser. Vol. V. p. 183, No. 2, and Plate; Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. III. p. 34, No. 13, and Plate. Cunningham and Dowson read the sign as 40, and I have followed them in Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII, p. 102, No. 13.
- (6) Mathurâ inscription, Journ. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XXXIX. Part I. p. 130, No. 18, and Plate. The facsimile is very poor. In the Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p. 101, No. 12, I have read the sign as 40, but I have pointed out also that the inscription is possibly identical with that referred to under No. 3.
- (7) Mathura inscription, Journ. Roy. As. Soc. New Ser. Vol. V. p. 184, No. 7, and Plate; Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. III. p. 34, No. 14, and Plate. Cunningham and Dowson read the sign as 40.

¹ The absurd opinions of Rajendralala Mitra may be passed over in silence.

² Compare Cunningham's remarks, Journ. Roy. As. Soc. New Ser. Vol. V. p. 194.

⁸ Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 373, note 7.

- It thus appears that the symbol has hitherto been treated sometimes as 40 and sometimes as 70, but it will be readily conceded, I think, that it is impossible to assign two different values to the same sign in inscriptions of the same locality and the same period. But before we can decide which of the two interpretations is the correct one, we shall have to examine also the other symbols supposed to represent either 40 or 70 in the early Brâhmî inscriptions of Northern India. The following inscriptions, which for convenience sake I number in continuation of the list given above, must be taken into consideration:—
- (8) Mathur's inscription of the time of mahardja Huviksha, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 387, No. 9, and Plate. The symbol resembles the ligature pta and was read by Bühler as 40.
- (9) Mathurâ inscription, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 387, No. 10, and Plate. The general appearance of the symbol is the same as in No. 8, but its lower part is not quite distinct in the photo-lithograph. Bühler read the sign as 40.
- (10) Mathura inscription, Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. III. p. 33, No. 10, and Plate; Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 396, No. 30, and Plate. The symbol generally has the same form as that in No. 3, but its lower part is a little more cursive. Canningham and Bühler read it as 40.
- (11) Mathurà inscription of the time of mahârâja Huvishka, Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. 111. p. 34, No. 15, and Plate. The symbol is the same as in No. 8. Cunningham read it as 40, and I have followed him in my treatment of the record in the Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p. 163, No. 14.
- (12) Mathurâ inscription, Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 204, No. 20, and Plate; p. 321, and Plate. The upper part of the symbol is the same as in Nos. 8—11, but its lower part is a distinct loop. Bühler read the sign as 70.
- (13) Mathurâ inscription, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 387, No. 11, and Plate. As Bühler expressly states in a footnote that the symbol is a plain pta, it may have been so in the impression before him. In the photo-lithegraph, however, it does not bear the slightest recemblance to that sign, but looks exactly like the letter bra. Bühler read the symbol as 40.
- (14) Stüchi inscription of the time of mahârâja râjâtirâja dêvaputra Shâhi Vâsashka. Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 369 f., and Plate. The symbol found here has quite a peculiar shape. Provided that the vertical standing behind it does not belong to it, but is part of the following sign for S. it resembles the usual sign for 20. As such it was read also at first by Bühler, but at Cunningham's suggestion he afterwards took it to be 70. The reading of the sign was then discussed at length by Dr. Flect in a paper in the Journ. Roy. As. Soc. 1903, p. 326 ff., and he came to the conclusion that it was 20. But later on, when Mr. Vincent Smith in his Early History of India, p. 238, had suggested that the symbol might be read as 60, Dr. Flect admitted the possibility of this interpretation; see Journ. Roy. As. Soc. 1905, p. 357.1

Leaving aside for the present the symbols found in the last three inscriptions, it appears that there are two symbols, the St. Andrew's cross and the pta, one of which must represent 70 and the other 40. Now in the inscription which forms the subject of this paper the St. Andrew's cross cannot represent 40, as in that case the inscription would be dated in the year 44 in the reign of a king whose name begins with Våsn, whereas we know that from 33-60 Huvishka was the reigning monarch in this part of the country. Here, therefore, the St. Andrew's cross must represent 70, and we must accordingly assign the same value to the symbol also in the inscriptions enumerated above under Nos. 1.7. We thus get the dates S. 72 for No. 1, S. 74 for

Another sign that originally was read 40 by Bühler, is found in the Mathura inscription of the time of mahdraja rajatiraja dévaputra Huvashku, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 386, No. 8, and Plate. Later on Bühler declared that on further consideration he read the symbol as 60, and assembly it has been treated since then everywhere; see Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 204, note 61.

No. 2, and S. 77 for Nos. 3-7. The inscriptions themselves contain nothing to contradict this result. No. 4, it is true, mentions the mahiridja religitivelya devaputra. Hûvishka, but not in connection with the date, the inscription simply recording a gift to the vihira of that king. As to the date S. 72 for the mahikshatrapa Šolasa, I refer to the remarks of Dr. Fleet in the Juan. Roy. As. Soc. 1907, p. 1024 ff.

If the St. Andrew's cross represents 70, the sign resembling p/a must be 40. The inscription No. 8, therefore, would be dated in S. 44, No. 9 in S. 45, No. 10 in S. 47, and No. 11 in S. 48, which is in accordance with the statements of Nos. 8 and 11 that their dates fall into the reign of Huviksha or Huvishka.

The symbol occurring in No. 12 undoubtedly differs from either of the two symbols found in Nos. 1-11, but whereas it bears no resomblance whatever to the cross-shaped sign, it is easily intelligible as a cursive development of the pta sign.\frac{1}{2} In my opinion therefore this sign also must be taken as 40, and the inscription as being dated in S. 49, not S. 73. There is another point in favour of this interpretation. The inscription records a gift made at the request of the venerable Vridhahasti (Vrid thahastin), as preacher in the Kottiya (Kottika) gana, the Vaïra (Vairi) śilkhi. There is another Mathura inscription dated in S. 60,\frac{2}{3} recording a gift made at the request of the ganin, the venerable Kharana, a pupil of this same Vriddhahastin. If Vriddhahastin in S. 60 had a pupil who had acquired the dignity of ganin, he must have been a man alvanced in years at that time, and although, of course, it is not impossible that he was still alive in S. 79, it would certainly soom more natural to find him as a spiritual advisor in S. 49 and his pupil in the same capacity cloven years later on, in S. 60.

Little can be said about the symbol occurring in No. 13. The form appearing in the photolithograph is quite peculiar and unlike any other symbol in the inscriptions from Mathura or elsewhere, but in accordance with Bühler's statement, it may be provisionally taken as 40.

As regards the symbol in No. 14, I agree with Dr. Fleet that there is no reason whatever why it should be 70, as even the sign in No. 12, which Bühler cited in support of this interpretation, is to be read not 70, but 40. On the other hand, I feel sure that it is not 20. I have lately received through Dr. Konow impressions of an inscription running round the base of a pillar preserved in the Mathurâ Museum. The inscription, which is in Brahmî characters of the Kushapa type, is partly worn, but the date is quite distinct. Now the sign for the tens in the date of the year is the same as that in the Sañehi inscription, showing again the vertical, which is thus proved to be an integrant part of it and not to belong to the following sign. And although unfortunately the text of the inscription contains nothing that would enable us to form a positive opinion on the value of the symbol, we may safely assert that it cannot be 20, as we ful this number expressed by the usual sign in the date of the day. Lastly also the proposal to treat the symbol as 60 cannot be said to be convincing, the sign that has hitherto been read as 60 in the inscriptions of the Kushana periods certainly being entirely different. I do not want to offer a new hypothesis. In my opinion we shall have to wait for fresh materials before we can hope to arrive at a satisfactory result in this question. In how far the restoring of the king's name in our inscription of S. 74 is influenced by this uncertainty, will be shown below.

I know that the results arrived at above are partly not in harmony with those deduced from the coins of the Western Kshatrapas. The numeral signs occurring in the legends of those coins are given in table IX, col. V, of Bühler's *Indische Paläographie* from Professor Rapson's table in

¹ Perhaps the symbol found in No. 9 forms the intermediate stage between the pta and the looped sign. As I have stated above, its lower part is not quite distinct in the photo-lithograph, but it does not seem to me impossible that here also it consists not of the usual fork, but of a loop, though a much smaller one than in No. 12.

² Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 386, No. 8, and Plate.

¹ Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 386, No. 8, and Plate; Vol. 11. p. 204, No. 19, and Plate; Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. XX. F. 37, and Plate V. fig. 6.

the Journ. Roy. As. Soc. 1890, Plate to p. 639. Here the St. Andrew's cross has been entered as 40, and a sign much resembling the pta and another looped sign almost exactly like that of No. 12 as 70. I do not wish to throw any doubts on the correctness of these readings, but I contend that for such questions inscriptions must be treated separately according to time and locality.

Rajendralala Mitra, Dowson and Cunningham agreed in restoring the name of the king as Visu[divasya]. When I edited the inscription from the facsimiles published by my predeces. sors. I drew attention to the circumstance that the available space is hardly sufficient for the three aksharas dévasya, and I proposed to restore the name as Vâsushkasya, as this name of the king seemed to be attested by two other inscriptions of S. 76 and S. 78,1 whereas the first undoubted record of Vasudeva's reign was dated in S. 80. What I said about the difficulty of supplying three syllables is confirmed by the impression now before me, although owing to the frequent irregularity of the writing in these inscriptions it is impossible to speak on this point with absolute certainty. But the evidence for the existence of a king Vasushka in S. 76 and S. 78 is not so strong as it seemed to be formerly. As I have tried to show above, the date of the Sanchi inscription mentioning a king Vasashka2 is quite uncertain, and the Mathura inscription mentioned by Führer as being dated in S. 76 and recording repairs in the reign of Vasushka has not yet been published. As Dr. Konow informs me, it cannot even be found now, Führer's trenches having been filled up again a long time ago and the exact spot where the inscription was found being no more known. Under these circumstances a decision is of course, impossible for the present. If Führer's statement after all should prove correct, I should unhesitatingly restore Visu to Visushkasya, otherwise the reading Visudivasya will have to be accepted.

The rest of the inscription calls for few romarks. Talakiya or Talaki seems to be the name of a locality, but I am unable to identify it. The title mahâdandandyaka is frequent in the inscriptions of the Supta period and later times. In the Kushana inscriptions it has not yet been found before, but the subordinate title of dandanâyaka occurs in the Manikyâla inscription, where the correct reading in 1. 2 is, not Laladoda-nayago, but Lala-dadanayago.

III.—MATHURÂ STONE INSCRIPTION OF THE TIME OF SOŅDÂSA.

This inscription was first published, together with a facsimile, in 1870 by Professor Dowson in the Journ. Roy. As. Soc. New Ser. Vol. V. p. 188, No. 29. In 1873 it was published again with a facsimile by Cunningham in the Arch. Surv. Rep. Vol. III. p. 30, No. 1. And in 1904 I have tried to edit the text from those two facsimiles in the Ind. Ant. Vol. XXXIII. p. 149. No. 24. For the present edition of the record I have made use of an impression found in Professor Hoernle's collection described above.

Cunningham states that the stone bearing the inscription was found in the Jail Mound at Mathurâ. According to Dowson, it has been cut through and the first part of it has been carried off. On the other hand, the facsimiles distinctly showed that something was missing at the right end, and thus I was led to suppose that the stone was damaged on both sides. This, however, is not the case. Nothing is missing at the beginning of the writing on the left, and on the right also only one letter has been cut off at the end of the first two lines. With this exception the inscription is in an excellent state of preservation.

¹ Mathura inscription of 8. 76, mentioned by Führer, Progress Report for 1895-96; Sanchi inscription of S. 78, edited by Bühler, Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 869 f.

² This is the reading suggested by Dr. Fleet, Journ. Roy. As. Soc. 1903, p. 326, but he is himself inclined to look upon this form as a mere variant of Vasushka, if the existence of such a name should be proved; see Journ. Roy. As. Soc. 1905, p. 367 f.

Journ. As. Ser. IX. Vol. VII. p. 8 f.

The characters are of the so-called archaic type of the Mathurâ inscriptions; see especially the letters da, δa and sha, and the subscript ya. The language is the mixed dialect. The inscription is not dated. It records various gifts of a Brahman of the Śegrava (Śaigrava) yotra, the treasurer of svāmin mahākshatrapa Sondāsa. For details I refer to the remarks below.

TEXT.

l Svámisya mahákshatrapasya Śomdásasya¹ gamjavarôna bráhmanêna Śegravasagótrêna [p]...².

2 raņi imāshām yamada-pushkaraņīnam pašchimā pushkaraņi udapāno ārāmo 3

stambhô i...

3 [śilâ]paţţô cha-.

REMARKS.

1 As to the reading of this name see the remarks below.—2 Little is left of the pa, but the reading is certain. Restore pushka.—3 The outlines of the letters ni udapino irrimo are more or less touched up with pencil, but the reading is perfectly certain.—4 The reading sild is certain, although the letters are entirely spoiled by being gone over with pencil.

TRANSLATION.

By the treasurer of the lord, the $mah\hat{a}kshatrapa$ Śoindâsa, a Brâhman of the Śôgrava (Śaigrava) $y\hat{a}tra$, a tank, the western tank of these twin tanks, a reservoir, a grove, a pillar and this stone-slab (was caused to be made).

NOTES.

As regards the language, the most interesting form is imishim. Apparently in the dialect of Mathura the genitives plur, of the pronoun were, as in Pali, imisam and imisam, and the author of the inscription translated the latter form into imishim as he was wont to render imisam by imishim. The nominative sing, mass, of the same pronoun is found at the end of line 2, but unfortunately nothing is left of it but the initial i. The word pushkarani shows in the third syllable the vocalisation of the Pali pokkharani. Yamada corresponds to Skt. yamala or yamala, as the word would be written in Southern manuscripts. The construction of the inscription is rather peculiar, the verb or participle on which the instrumentals brithmanina, etc., depend, being omitted.

The first point to command attention is the name of the mahakshatrapa, which is generally supposed to be Śodâsa. In the present inscription there is a distinct sign above the śo. It must have been found also in the impressions used by Dowson and Cunningham, as the former reads \$\ind\$indisasya\$ (for \$\int disasya\$) and the latter Saudisasya (for \$\int audisasya\$), although the facsimiles show no trace whatever of anusoira or au. The sign cannot be the stroke denoting au, as it does not touch the upper line of the śo, but is separated from it by a distinct blank space. It can only be an anusoira of the same bulky shape as that in yamjavarēna and in pushkaraninam.

The form Sondasa has not yet been recognised anywhere else. In the second Brahmi inscription at Mathura mentioning this makikskatrapal Buhler read Sodisasa, but the photo-lithograph by no means excludes the reading Somdisasa. Right above the so there is a white spot scarcely less distinct than that above the ma of homanitamiss which Bühler read as anasotra. In the Mathura lion-capital inscription Mr. Thomas reads the name as Sudasa and Sudisa, and with regard to coins, Professor Rapson has stated in the Journ. Roy. As. Soc. 1903, p. 289, note 3, that whenever the name is legible, the first akshara seems to be so, and that the alternative forms Su and Sau, given by Bhagvanlal and Cunningham respectively, cannot be

¹ Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 199, No. 2.

certainly read on any of the specimens of the British Museum. But even if a re-examination should prove the readings Sodisa and Sudisa to be correct, this would not invalidate the reading of the present inscription. Everybody familiar with the records of this period knows how often an anusrica is omitted in writing, and that on that account the reading Somidisa, even if found once only, carries more weight than the reading Sodisa occurring ten times. In my opinion therefore Sondisa must be accepted as the general form of the name.

Scarcely less interesting is the designation of the donor. Dowson and Cunningham real gai-wardna, and Bühler, Vienna Or. Journ. Vol. V. p. 177, proposed to alter the unintelligible syllables gaja into rajo, 'during the roign.' The new reading gamjavardna shows that gamjavard, 'treasurer,' which hitherto was known only from the Rajatarangini V, 177 and Kshëmëndra's Likaprakasa, was an official title in India already in much earlier times. As recognised by Benfey,' gamjavara is the Persian ganjavar, and the use of this title is a new proof of the strong Parthian influence that made itself felt in Northern India from the time of Asôka to the beginning of the Gupta empire.

The donor calls himself by his $g\hat{g}/ra$ name Śegrava, which in correct Sanskrit would be Śaigrava. According to the Ganapátha the Śaigrava $g\hat{g}/ra$ is referred to by Pâṇini in II, 4, 67 and IV, 1, 104. I have also no doubt that Professor Kern is right in identifying Śaigrava with Pâli Siggava. The name of the patriarch who conferred the upasampada ordination on the great Tissa Meggaliputta.

No. 34.—PATHARI PILLAR INSCRIPTION OF PARABALA; [VIKRAMA-] SAMVAT 917.

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Pathari in Long. 78° 15' and Lat. 23° 56', is the chief town of the Native State of the same name in the Bhopal Agency of Central India. Its antiquities were first described, in 1848, by Captain J. D. Cunningham, in the Journal As. Soc. Bengal, Vol. XVII, Part I, p. 305 ff. After stating that the locality of which he is treating includes two good-sized reservoirs or lakes, and that the present town of Pathari and the smaller lake are distinguished by a single pillar and a solitary temple, Captain Cunningham on page 310 proceeds thus:— 'Near to the western edge of the smaller lake stands the wand or pillar, now called of Bheem Sen. It is composed of a single block about 36 feet in height and 2½ thick. The shaft is square in section for a height of 8 feet, and it then becomes circular . . . On one side of the square portion of the shaft there is a long inscription, much obliterated, and of which I failed to make even a tolerable impression.'

The pillar and its inscription were again noticed in 1880, by General Sir A. Cunningham, in his Archaeol. Survey of India, Vol. X, p. 70, thus:— 'Inside the town, on the top of the slope, there is a tall monolith with a bell-shaped capital. The shaft is circular, rising from a base 8 feet

¹ See the St. Petersburg Dictionary s. v.

² In the Journ. Roy. As. Soc. 1903, p. 289 ff., Professor Rapson has described a coin that shows a general similarity to those of Soudays. With the exception of the first three aksharas the inscription is not quite critain. Professor Rapson reads: brahmanailea go(?)da va(?)-tha(?). na]. Would it be too bold to conjecture that the brahmana mentioned here may have some connection with the brahmana Saigrava, the ganjavara of Soudass, and that the reading must be altered accordingly?

⁸ Geschiedenie van het Buddhieme in Indië, Vol. II. p. 266.

⁴ See Dipar. V, 57; 69, etc.

^{• [}The proofs of this and all subsequent papers by the late professor Kielborn have been read by me. -S. K.]

⁶ Constable's Hand Atlas of India Plate 27 D d.

3 inches high and 2 feet 9 inches square. On the northern face there is a long inscription of 38 lines of small letters. It opens with an invocation to Lakshmî-Nârâyaṇa, but the greater part of the record is so much worn as to be quite illegible. Many of the letters here and there are in good order, and from their shapes I would assign the monument to somewhere about A.D. 600. Close by this pillar there is a small temple, with Vishou sitting on Garud over the door-way.

In October 1894 I received from Professor Hultzsch two impressions of the inscription, prepared by Mr. H. Consens, Superintendent of the Archmological Survey of India, Western Circle; and an excellent photograph³ of it, taken by the same gentleman, was given to me two or three years afterwards by Dr. Fleet. From these materials I have already published a short account of the contents of the inscription and the tentative text of nine verses of it, in the Nachrichten der K. Ges. der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen for 1901, Part I. p. 519 ff. A repeated examination of the same materials now enables me to place before the reader, with some confidence, by far the greater part of this record, which, though troublesome to read, is not so illegible as it may have seemed to be on the original stone.

The inscription contains 38 lines of writing which covers a space of about 2 feet broad by 2 feet 7 inches high. It has cortainly suffered greatly from exposure to the weather, especially in the middle and at the end of the lines all the way down, and for nearly the whole length of the last seven lines. But fortunately3 all proper names of importance may be read with absolute certainty, at any rate all those that occur in lines 1-31; and the same remark applies to the date of the inscription at the end of line 31. The size of the letters is about 1 inch in the topmost lines, but less in the lower part down to line 31, while it is somewhat larger again in lines 32-38. The inscription was written and engraved with great care and skill. The characters belong to the worthern alphabet such as, speaking generally, we find it e.g. in the Gwalior inscription of the reign of Bhojadeva of the [Vikrama] year 933, published with a facsimile in Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 159 f. Withour present knowledge of Indian epigraphy, we should assign them at once to about the 9th century A.D. They include the rare sign for jh, which has not come out well either in the impressions or in the photograph, in the word jhatiti towards the end of line 15. The language of the inscription is Sanskrit. The text is remarkably correct, and in respect of orthography the only points worth noticing here are that the sign for v is used for both v and b, and that the words ainsa and dhvainsa are written ans a and dhvansa, in lines 2 and 8.

The inscription consists of two parts. The first (and chief) part comprises lines 1-31, the second lines 32-38. This second part appears to be really a separate inscription, added by way of a post-cript, which may record the installation of an image of Vishnu, but the exact purpose of which, owing to the damaged condition of lines 32-38, I have not been able to ascertain. What I may state with confidence is that, after the words ôm namah at the commencement of line 32, there are five verses, two in the Sragdhara metre, one in the Vasantatilaka metre, one in the Upajati metre, and the fifth perhaps in the same metre. So far as I can judge, the first and probably the second of these five verses contain some historical information, and it would therefore seem desirable to have a cast taken of this part of the inscription, which would enable one to decipher more of the text than I have succeeded in making out from the impressions and the photograph.

The first verse of the inscription commences with the words Lakshmt-ntraindhraptna-, which were apparently misroad as Lakshmt-Ndrdyana-.

¹ The accompanying facsimile has been prepared under the superintendence of Prof. Hultzsch from Mr. Cousens' photograph. A facsimile of the impressions would have been quite useless.

Exposed as the pillar has been to all the effects of the Indian climate for more than a thousand years it seems wonderful that of these small letters, which were not deeply engraved, many should have been preserved so well as we find them to be.

I am sanguine enough to hope that it will indeel some day be possible to make out the names which are hidden now in the second part of our inscription. It will then perhaps also be found that this part likewise ends with a date in the 9th century of the Vikrama era, of which in my opinion there are traces in the second half of line 38.

The first part (lines 1-31) also commences with ôm namah and ends with a date which will be given below. Between the two there are 32 verses, the text of more than two-thirds of which may be given with perfect certainty, while there is no doubt about the general meaning of any of the rest. The verses form a praiasti, the main object of which is to record (in verses 25 and 26) that the king Parabala of some Rashtrakûta family founded a temple of Śauri (Hari, Vishnu), before which he erected the Garuda-crested pillar on which the inscription is engraved. The prasasti opens with four verses which invoke the protection of, and glorify, the god Vishnu, under the names of Murari, Krishna and Hari. It then (in verses 5-7) relates that formerly there was a king Jêjja, under whom 'this Rashtrakûta vamsa' was flourishing. and whose (unnamed) elder brother, after defeating thousands of Karnata soldiers with their arrays of elephants, obtained the Lata kingdom. Jêjja's son was Karkaraja (v. 11), who put to flight the king Nagavaloka and invaded his home (vv. 14 and 15). And Karkaraja's son was Parabala, represented as ruling the land when the inscription was composed (V. 18). The rest records that the pillar was actually set up by the king's chief minister, whose name is not clear in the impressions, and that the praéasti was composed by Harsha (v. 29) and engraved by the satradhara Sahila (v. 31), while the last verse 32 contains the usual prayer that the king's pious work and his fame may endure for ever .-- The date at the end of line 31 is samrat 9/7 Chaittra-sudi 6 Sukrê, i.e. "Friday, the 6th of the bright half of Chaitra of the year 917." In this date the numeral figures for the year are particularly clear, and cannot be read in any other way. The figure for θ is the same as e.g. in line 6 of the Dôôgadh pillar inscription of the time of Bhôjadêva of the [Vikrama] year 919 (Archwol. Surv. of India, Vol. X, Plate xxxiii. 2), and in line 22 of the Gurmha plate of Jayadityadeva II. of the [Vikrama] year 927 (Journ. As. Sec. Beng, Vol. LXX. Part I. Plate i). The date must of course be referred to the Vikrama era. It is one of the carliest dates of that era which admit of exact verification and corresponds regularly, for the expired Karttikadi Vikrama year 917, to Friday, the 21st March A.D. 861, when the 6th tithi of the bright half of Chaitra ended 16 h. 44 m. after mean sunrise.

The praiasti will, I think, be admitted to contain some rather protty verses.² Its auther, so far as I can judge, was well acquainted, amongst other poetical works, with Mågha's Sisnyálavadha, and in the composition of at least one verse he undoubtedly drew his inspiration from that poem.³ I refer to verse 16, which may be compared with Sis. XIX. 52. The former is:—

Šakalikrita-sarványá nánábharanabhúshitáh | drisyanté ripavô yasya nánábharanabhúshitáh ||

"With their limbs all cut to pieces (and thus)' decorated with manifold ornaments (dbharqna), his enomies are seen to abide on various battle-fields (rana-bhû)."

And Magha's verso is:-

Šustravranamaya-śrimad-alamkaranabhûshitah | dadriśé 511yô Ravanavad-alamkaranabhûshitah ||

"Decorated with glorious ornaments (alamkarana) which consisted in the wounds inflicted by weapons, another looked like Râvana, though abiding on a battle-field (rana-bhû) that was not connected with Lankâ." 5

¹ The original apparently mentions the place where Nagavalôka was put to flight, but the name of it cannot be read with confidence. See verse 14 and the translation of it below.

² Compare e.g. verses 13, 15, 20 and 30.

The prasasti somewhat pointedly ends with the word srimati, which, in the case of an author who had studied the sryanka mahakavya does not seem to me to be without significance.

^{*} Compare the following note.

Mallinatha explains: sarvángínavranabhúshanatvétta, Rávana év-áyam Lankásambandha-virahát^{s te} vyatíréka ity-arthan i upamá-vyatíréka-yamakánám samkáran i

Here we not merely have, at the end of each half verse, the synonymous words abharana-bhashita and alamkaranabhashita, either of them similarly used in a double meaning, but we also find a form of the same verb (drisyante and dadrise) in exactly the same position in both verses. At the same time the manner in which the verse of the Sisupilavadha commences, clearly shows how we ought to interpret the first half of Harsha's verse; the ornaments with which the enemies were decorated consisted in the wounds inflicted on them when their limbs were cut to pieces. I am aware that what I have printed out here is not of any great value now, because we have lately learnt from another inscription that Magha lived long before the middle of the 9th century A.D.

Among the contents of the *prasasti* there are three points of particular interest. The first obviously is, that the inscription is one—the only one hitherto discovered—of a Rashtrakûta king Parabala, for whom it furnishes a date in A.D. 861. The second point is, that Parabala's father Karkarâja defeated, and invaded the territory of, a king Nagavalôka. And to these may be added the statement that an unuamed elder brother of Karkarâja's father Jêjja, after defeating certain Karnâţas, took possession of the Lâţa kingdom.

As regards the first point, we knew indeed from the very earliest Sanskrit inscription brought to the notice of European scholars - the Mungir plate of Dêvapâla! translated by Sir Charles Wilkins in 1731 — that the Pala king Dharmapala married 'Rannadevi, a daughter of the glorious Parabala, the ornament of the Rashtrakuta family;' but as the name Parabala could not be traced in any subsequent inscription, scholars conjectured that it was a biruda of one of the Råshtrakûtas of Malkhêd, perhaps of Gövindaraja III. or Amôghavarsha I., according to the notions which they had formed regarding the time of Dharmapala. Now there munot remain any reasonable doubt that the Râshţrakûţa Parabala of our Pathârî inscription is identical with the Parabala of the Mungir plate, a daughter of whom was married by Dharmapâla. But it does not follow that Dharmapâla's reign must therefore be taken to have commenced so late as the middle of the 9th century. Many Indian kings have had unusually long reigns, and at present we know nothing about the length of Parabala's reign, while all that wo know for cortain in this respect regarding Dharmapala is that he reigned for at least 32 years. The zeal and activity displayed by the officials of the Archaeological Survey in the search for epigraphical documents encourage us to hope that before long we shall be in possession of materials that will definitely fix both the exact time of Dharmapilla's reign and the chronology of events generally which took place in Northern India during the 8th and 9th centuries.

The king Någåvalôka² who was defeated by Parabala's father Karkaråja seems to have been a ruler of some importance. I have no doubt that he is identical with that Någåvalôka who is mentioned in verse 13 of the Harsha inscription of Vigraharåja,³ in terms which would imply that he was the overlord, and who certainly was a contemporary, of the Châhamâna Gûvaka I. of Śākambharî, whom in my Synchronistic Table for Northern India I have roughly placed at the commencement of the 9th century. There has lately been discovered a copper-plate inscription of a Châhamâna Mahāsāmantādhipati, which records a grant that was made at Bhṛigu-kachchha in the increasing reign of victory of the glorious Någåvalôka, and which apparently is dated in the [Vikrama] year 813 (corresponding to about A.D. 756). I owe a photograph of it to the kindness of Mr. Gaurishankar Hirachand Ojha, but would wait for impressions before expressing an opinion regarding its gonuineness and value.

¹ See As. Res. Vol. I. p. 128, and Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 253.

I need hardly point out that this name looks like the well-known birudas ending in avalôka of certain Rishtrakûta kings (Khadadvalôka, Vibramdvalôka, etc.).

See above Vol. II. p. 121, line 12 of the text, where the actual reading of the original is *friman-Nágá** salóka-pravaranripa*.

If the grant is genuine, the donation recorded in it was probably made on the 28th October A.D. 756.

Nor can I say anything definite at present regarding the conquest of the Lata kingdom by the elder brother of Parabala's grandfather Jôjja. The known names of chiefs connected with Lâta from about the middle of the 8th century and the available dates will be found above. Vol. VIII. App. 11. p. 4. It will be seen there that we have no date, and know little about Lâta, between A.D. 757 and A.D. 812, which is just the period in which, judging from the date of the present inscription, we should have to place Jejja and his elder brother.

In the text which follows I have indicated by marks of interrogation all passages about which I am myself doubtful, and have left blanks where I could have put in only a purely conjectural reading. Others may be able to supply what is wanting or to find the correct readings where I have failed to do so. I know that I have shunned no trouble and may perhaps be permitted to say -

Harshona nûnam rachitâ prasastir= vidhêr=vasâd=asma-talê vilînâ | prakâsit-êyam pramadâch-chhramêna satàin mudain saintatam-âtanôtu II

TEXT.1

- 1 Orin² 8 Lakahmî-nîranidhrapîna[sta]nakalasa-la[sa]t-pallavâ Vritra-satrôs= ttrailòkyasvâmya-dîkshâvidhi-varaguravô=[r]i-
- Kôśikôśagraha-ruchiraru[t-â]ghushţa-2 shtanâśa-prachandâh | dôrddandâh h[i]maransadêsa4 Daityêbha-athûlakumbha[stha]-
- 3 ladalana-d[ri]dhâh pamtu vas-tô Murârêh 11[1*] ⁵VA(bâ)lârkka[chchhav]ichakrav[aka]vimala-vyal[a]hat-aveshtitahe karnn[â]lamvi(mbi)ta-kumḍalò/ inladhara-
- 4 chchhêdavadata-chchhavih | satkārttasvarakūta-nirggata snigdhêndranîlôpala. skandhaga-padmaragayugalah Krishnô-stu
- ⁹Tribhuvanabhavana-stambhô 5 vah śrêvasê ||[2*]|nabhastalambhodhi-sotur-aghadahanah | vra(bra)hmâmdamamda(da)lâmvu(bu)jadanda-ruchirajjayati10 Ha-
- 6 ri-charanah ||[3*] 11Ahimakarachakra-kuvalayavilasatkamal-âlayah sa-dâna[vakâ]yah ! jalanidhir-iva Harir-avatât-purâņa-purushô-pi yah sadà nava-kA-
- $yah^{12} ||[4*]|^{-13}Raj=asid=varachakkralamehhita-karo$ lakshmî-sanâthah purâ driptâriprava(ba)ladvishat-pramathanas-chaâ[dhā]ra-bhûtô bhuvah | vå(bå)hûdastamahîdh**a**rô [nara]-
- tungadvipadhvansakrit=1+Kamsåråti-samô-py-akrishpatanubhrich=chhrî-Jējja 8 ka-hâ stu ta h ([5*]16 [Ra] mya-prasûtir-achchhidras-tumgab âryyaib prithur=akain(akah | śrî-Rashtra[kû]-
- ta-vamsô=yam samriddhô yattra bhûbhriti 11[6*] 16 Jitvá [vikata]karighatapra[bhuta]ra-Karapatabhatasahasra[qi] | [prithu?] L[a]t-akhyam ráshtram lavdham(bdham) yasy-âgrajên-âjau [[[7*] 17[Vana]-

2 Denoted by a symbol.

Metre: Sardulavikridita.

¹ From impressions and a photograph supplied by Mr. Cousens.

^{*} Metre: Sragdharâ. 4 Read *srdmsadesa.

Compare Saragiresha-phanikanchuka-, above Vol. II. p. 4, v. 22.

⁷ Originally -kundal & seems to have been sugraved.

^{*} Compare Šitupálavadha III. 11.

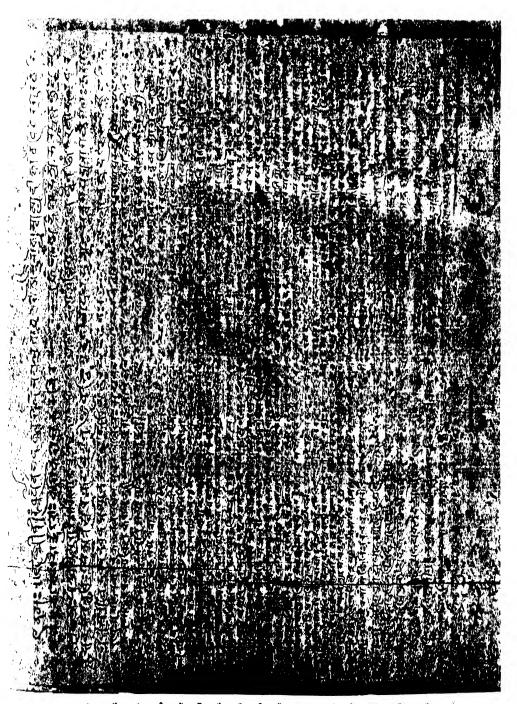
Metre: Arya. 10 Originally -rucher- was engraved .- Compare above Vol. I. p. 40, verse 2: vra(bra)hmdndamandolamah 6t palanála-lilám vi(bi)bhrat.

n Metre : Aryagiti.

¹² Compare Šišupálavadha xiv. 70: navam budha yam purána-purusham prachakshats.

¹⁸ Metre : Sardalavikridita. 14 Read "dhvameakrit 15 Metro: Ślóka (Annshtubh).

¹⁶ Motre: Âryâ, 17 Metre; Malini.



- 10 mahisham=asahyam vâjinô lûla-nêttrâ madagalita-kapôlâ dantinah simham= ugram | [jvalitapavana ?]-kîrnnâ vairi-vîrâh Kritâmtam rana-áirasi yam-êkam mênirê naika-[rûpam ||] [6*]
- 12 pagatā vikalā dišāsu yasya dhvajā iva sadā ript[vo] bhramanti ||[10*]
 Tasy=ātmajō ripuva(ba)l-[ā]nta — — h³ śrî-Karkkarāja iti
 samyati lavdha(bdha)-kirttih | P[ārth-āgran ?]î-
- 14 riva[nitâ]-nayanapraṇâlî-saiisakta-kajjalayutâsrujala-pra[vâhai]h | sêshichyamânam=api chandramarîchi-[hâri sphîtain] va(ba)bhûva [nanu] yasya yasô-tichittrain ||[13*] *Durvvârârâti-mattadvi[rada]-
- 15 ghanaghaṭâṭôpasaṅghaṭṭa-chaṇḍô saṅgrâmô [hṛishṭa-yô]dhô [tura]gakhurarajaś-chhanna-dikchakkrav[âlô | [valga?]t-pâlidhvaj[âlau] kshatarudhi[rasa]ritprâjya-sâmantachakrô chakrô Nagâvalôkaṁ [jha]ṭiti \smile^9
- 17 ¹²Śakalikṛita-sarvvāṅgā nānābharaṇabhūshitāḥ | dṛiśyantā ripavā yasya nānābharaṇabhūshitāḥ [16*] ¹³Yasy=ôtpalachchhavi[mu]shā s[v]ajal-ōunatēna¹⁴ khadgēna tumgatara-bhū[mibhṛi]-
- 18 [tâm śi]rassu | dhârânipâta-janitair-asrijâm¹⁵ pravâhair-yuddhâ mahâpralaya[kâla?]ghana-[pratîtiḥ?¹⁶] ||[17*] ¹⁷Ahimakara iv-âdya tyakta-dôshânushamgô himakara iva jâ[ta]ḥ
- 19 śuddha-műrttih kaláván i parava(ba)ladalan-ögrő-nugra-chakshuh pratápí
 Parava(ba)la iti puttras tasya [sást]-íha bhú[mim] ||[18*]

 18[Tyaktvá?]máyám=adambhañ-cha sakta-kárttasvaráh sadá bhum[jatá] śrí-19

Originally ranambh ovdhi- was engraved.

- The akshara which is missing here I am unable to restore with conflience.
- 10 Of these three aksharas the first and the last seem to be certain, and the second is either va or vu.
- 11 Metre: Vasantatilaka.
 - lakā. 12 Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh). See above, p. 250.
- 11 Metre : Vasantatilaka.
- 14 The water of the sword-blade (asidhara-jala, khadgadhara-payas, khadgadharambhas) is often spoken of by poets; compare s.g. Ekavali, pp. 64 and 168, and above Vol. II. p. 307, v. 21.
 - 18 The plural of asrij is similarly used in Sisupalavadha xvii, 55 (asrinji).
- 16 I have little doubt that this is the correct reading; in the original a modial i was originally engraved before the akshara which I read as pra, but it has clearly been struck out.
 - 18 Metre: Malini, 18 Metre: Sioka (Anushtubh),
- 18 This word, being repeated at the commencement of the next line, is superfluous here. Sriphala is used in the double sense of 'the fruit of his prosperity' and 'Bilva fruit.'

¹ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

² Metre of verses 10 and 11 : Vasantatilaka.

^{*} The original possibly has "lantaka boa marttah.

⁴ Originally vibhava or vobbhava was engraved.

⁵ Metre: Slôka (Anushtubh).—I am unable to restore the first half of this verse with any conflience, but the meaning probably is that the king's hand in battle took away fortune from his adversary. Compare Gupta Inser. p. 203, 1, 7.

¹ Metre: Vasantatilaka. -- Compare Sisup Alavadha XV. 90.

⁸ Metre: Sragdhara.

- vidvishô-py-alam 1Makarakôtutula[hrita]. вuhridð 11[19*] 20 śrîphalâny≂asya Bumdaríjana-viló[lita]lôchana-ma[la]ya | [sva]-śuchibhû[shaņa]-va[rshmani] lînay-â[ma]rapurêndra-samê bhuvi yê=bha[vat ||] [20*]
- ²Prabham janô vairi-mahîruhanam 21 samásri(sri)tánáin dhanadô [jana]nam [d]in-a[tu]ranam yô=bhûch=charitair=anêkah || sa kripô nripâŋâ[m=êkô]=pi [21*] 3Vishayêbhyah parityâjya [vi]graha[danda]-lî-
- 22layâ | indriyân fya | yê]n=âśu jitâny=ari-va(ba)lâny=api [[22*] 4Sura-gurur= samya|g=mamtr]isa[kt-â?]vadhâ[na]h sura-patir=iva hóladárit-aratigótrah | sura-gaja iva ni[tyam] sâm [dra-dâ]-
- 23 n[8] pravrittah sura-girir-iva bhûbhrinmamdal-ôtkrishtabhûtah [[[23*]] "Jyaravakrishtadridhakarmuka-mamdalagra-bhinnebhakumbhabhava-lohitakîrnnaharâ | pâlidhvajân=bhujalatâsita-[vâ|namâlâ [ya]-
- 24 syzájigáya rana-műrddhani râja-lakshmîh 6Achîkarad=dêvakulain |||24*||Saurêr-idam Hi[mô]rvvîdharasri[inga]-t[ulyain]] [subhra?]gra[vinyasta?]sita[dhvajàl]î vi(bi)bhartti yasy=âmarasindhu-śôbhâin ||[25*] Stambh[as-tu yâ ? |-
- [drig?]=Garudadhvajâ[drau?]7 p[urâ] visalò Garudadhvajô=yam | Harch puras-tadri sa ê[va] têna samuttambhita stambhah ôsha ||[26*]|8 Vishnôh kim charauas=trivikrama-kritêh stambh-akritôr=vva vapuh Sthanor-bhû-viva[ra]-
- 26 t-phaṇîndra-ripuṇā Sôshô=thavA proddhritah 1 ittham bhûri vi[chara]yadbhir= amarair-âlökya ni schî vatê stambhah śuddhaśilàmayah Parava(ba)la[kshmâ]pâla-kîrttipradah ||[27*|]⁹Tasy=âmâtyò va(ba)bhûva [Ksh Fli U U U
- yah 27 iti sarvvadharmm-ådhikårî hêmâbhah Parava(ba)la-nripatêr= satyavâdî mmû rddha]-vandyah pra[dhâna?]h | [tên=ô]tturing-â[śmavâ(bâ)h ?]ur10_ Mmadhumathana-purð Vainatéy-ôpalakshyah stambhah samstambhit-Arèr-[upaha r]-
- [sita?]-yugah stambha uttambhitô=yam [[28*] 11 Prakrishta-varnnah vain ? sê svabhava[samp]àdita-[sambhramo] yah | Ha[rsh]êna rachità prašastir-mmuktâphalâlî-śriyam-âtanôti $||[29*]|^{-12}$ Pravî[nâ]
- [gam]bhîrà vividhapadavinyâsa-chaturâ dridhodara-gramth=[avivu(bu)dhaja]nadurjňána[hriday4] | [praśastir=mmâdhurya]prabhritigu nasam[do]ha-ruchirà surastr-îv-ábhāti sphatikavimalastambha-[likhitā] ||[30*]
- ¹³Utkîrnnâ sûtradhârêna Sâhilêna 30 sphut-akshara | chittrainga[vagvya?]gra-varqua [Sarasvat ?]=îva [bha]sato [[31*] 14[Yâvat]= - ∪ ∪ - ∪ - ∪ ∪ jito Lakshmih sthit-ôrasthalê dohârddhê Girifsasya]

¹ Metre: Drutavilambita. ² Metre: Upajáti.

Metre: Ślóka (Anushtubh).—Instead of vishayébhyah I should have expected the accusative vishayán, but this would not have suited the metre.

⁴ Metre: Malini.-I am somewhat doubtful about the correctness of the first Pada, and I miss a relative pronoun in the verse.

Metro: Vasantatilaka. 6 Metre of verses 25 and 26 : Upajâti.

⁷ Originally odhvajddri was engraved, but the sign for i has been struck out or altered to as. I am not sure about the exact meaning of the first half of the verse.

[&]quot; Metre : Śardálavikrigita. Metro: Sragdharâ.

¹⁰ Compare Sisupalavadha III. 78, uttanga-turangabahu.

¹¹ Metre: Upajāti. 12 Metre : Sikharini.

¹⁹ Metre: Sloka (Anushtubh). I am doubtful about the second half of this verse.

¹⁴ Metre : Sardalavikridita.

31 H[aima]girijâ Śêsh-3ttamâmgô kshitih | chamchachchandramarîchi-[bhâsurajalâ?]
yâvad-di[vi] svarddhunî [tâvat=kîrttir-ana]śva[r-â.tu] [nṛipatêr =
bhûmyâs=ta?]lê śrîmatî ||[32*] Samvat¹ 917 Chaittra-śudi 6 Śu[kr]ē [|]
32 Om² namah ||3

ABRIDGED TRANSLATION.4

- (Verse 5.) There was formerly a king whose hands were marked with auspicions discs, who was endowed with fortune, and who, harassing haughty fees and powerful adversaries, was the support of the earth; who with his arm overthrew princes, who warded off hell and destroyed huge elephants, and who, although thus like Kanisa's enemy (Krishna) [whose hand bears a choice disc, who is united with Lakshmi, who harassed haughty fees and powerful adversaries, and supported the earth; who lifted up with his arms the mountain (Gövardhana), slew (the demon) Naraka, and destroyed (Kanisa's) huge elephant], did not bear Krishna's body, —the glorious Jējja, praised by the noble.
- (V. 6.) While he was king this glorious Rashtrakûţa family was prosperous, a family in which there is pleasing progeny, which is without blemish, noble, large, and free from trouble being like the bamboo, which has pleasing shoots, is free from flaws, high, broad, and without thorns].
- (V. 7.) His elder brother, having defeated in battle thousands of Karnata soldiers whose might was increased by arrays of enormous elephants, obtained the broad Lata kingdom.
- (V. 11.) Jôjja's son⁷ was the glorious Karkarâja, who, (causing) the destruction of the forces of adversaries, acquired fame in battle; who removed trouble [and was therefore] like (Yudhishṭhira) the foremost of Pṛithà's sons [who annihilated Śalya]; and whose armies were terrible in chastising the forces of enemies difficult to be chastised [so that he was like Bhîmasênas subdaing the strength of his enemy Duḥśâsana].
- (V. 15.) The blade of his sword, with rows of spotless teeth formed on it by the mass of pearls that were shed by the frontal globes of the choice elephants¹¹ of the irresistible adversary, exultingly laughs as it were in the devastated home of king Nügâvalôka.

¹ Read samvat.

² Denoted by a symbol.

⁸ On the second part of the inscription, lines 32-38, see above, p. 249.

⁴ I consider it sufficient to translate here those verses of the original text only which refer to historical events. The other verses will interest Sanskrit scholars only, to whom they will present no more difficulties than any ordinary classical text. A brief summary of the contents of the inscription has been given above.

In the case of the king the words tunga-doipa might possibly have to be translated by "the elephants of (king) Tunga," where the name Tunga would perhaps have reference to one of the Rushtrakutas of Makhed who had birudas ending in tunga (Sahasatunga, Subhatunga, Jagattunga, etc.).

For the figure virôdha or virôdhabhasa, 'seeming contradiction,' used here by the poet, see above Vol. VI. p. 246, note 13.

⁷ The original has 'his (i.e. Jêjja's) son.'

[&]quot;The word bhimasing is similarly used in a double sonse, e.g. in the Vdsavadatta, p. 122, 1. 5.

[•] For this word which occurs also in verse 24, see s.g. above, Vol. VI. p. 170 and Vol. VII. p. 227.

¹⁰ Here the original probably has the name of a place containing four syllables and ending with lavana or lavana.

¹¹ Compare in Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVI. p. 107, l. 5: nistrimsaghatavidalat-karikumbha-mukta-muklaphalaprakara-: also e.g. Sisupalavadha V. 12.

- (V. 18.) Now his son Parabala rules here the land, he who has discarded addiction to sin and is therefore like the sun which has severed its connection with the night; who is born of pure body and is versed in all arts, and is therefore like the moon when she has risen with a bright form and with all her digits; who, terrible in cutting up the forces of adversacies, is gentle-looking, and full of prowess.
- (V. 24.) At the head of battle the fortune of royalty—her garland of pearls covered with the blood streaming from the temples of elephants that were split by the round-pointed shafts of her strong bow drawn with a twang of the string, and with rows of arrows resting on her creeper-like arms—conquered for him pâlidhvaja banners.
- (V. 25.) He caused to be built this temple of Sauri, resembling the peak of the mountain of snow, the white flag on the bright top of which bears the lustre of the river of the gods.
- (V. 26.) And like the pillar which was formerly (erected?) on the mountain of Garudadhvaja(?), exactly so was this large Garuda-bannered pillar caused to be erected by that king before (the temple of) Hari.
- (V. 27.) Repeatedly deliberating whether this is Vishuu's foot making three strides, or the body of Sthânu³ shaped like a post, or (the serpent) Schapulled out of a hole in the ground by the enemy of the serpent-king,⁴ the gods on viewing it find out that it is a pillar of pure stene proclaiming the fame of king Parabala.
- (V. 23.) His prime minister was [Ksh?]i..., administrator of all laws, bright like gold and true of speech, to be saluted with (bowing of) the head by king Parabala. He set up before (the temple of) the destroyer⁵ of Madhu this Garuda-marked pillar, which with its stone arm raised aloft defies all ages—a pillar of him who has paralyzed his focs.⁶

(Line 31.) The year 917, Friday, the 6th of the bright half of Chaitra.

No. 35.— ANMAKONDA INSCRIPTION OF PROLA;

The Chalukya-Vikrama year Forty-Two.

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On a hillock to the south of Hanumkondå? (Anmakonda) near Warangal in the Nizam's State, stands the small temple of Padmakshi which, unlike other buildings attributable to the Kakatiya period, is devoid of any architectural pretensions. The rock close to which the temple stands, bears on a portion of its dressed surface, sculptures of

¹ I.e. Vishnu.

² I am not sure about the meaning of these words, the text of which is doubtful in the original. Garada: dhrajddri might be equivalent to Krishnagiri.

⁸ I.c. Siva.

⁴ These words clearly indicate that there was a figure of Garuda on the top of the pillar.

^{1.}c. Vishnu.

In my opinion, this might refer either to the king or to the god Vishnu.

⁷ This is the form given in Mr. Cousens' Lists of Antiquarian Remains in H. H. the Nizam's Territories,

[&]quot;The thousand-pillared temple in the middle of the village of Anmakonda was built by Prôla's son Rudra in or about A.D. 1162-63 (Ind Ant. Vct. XI. p. 9 f.) and contains some excellently sculptured door-posts. The four gateways which now stand in the open air at Warangal might have belonged to the palace of the Kâkatiya kings at that place (Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1901-2, p. 4). Mr. Cousens, however, thinks that the gardways must have belonged to a great temple in the centre of Warangal (Lists of Antiquarian Remains in H. H. the

some Jaina images seated in a row. In front of the temple is an inscribed quadrangular pillar of black granite bearing in relief within a countersunk square, at the top of each of its four faces, the figure of a squatting Jaina ascetic with his arms folded over his lap crosswise. On the cast face of the pillar this figure is flanked by a cow and calf on one side and a dagger and shield (?) on the other. The north face of the pillar bears representations of the sun and moon on the right and left sides, respectively, of the squatting Jaina figure. From these sculptures and from the inscription on the pillar, which is published below, it appears that the Padmakshi temple was originally dedicated to the Jaina goddess Kadalalaya and that the pillar was set up there by the lady who built the basadi (Jaina temple). At present the Brahmanas of Anmakonda, who have somehow got possession of the temple, worship the goddess in it under the name Padmakshi, which they believe to be synonymous with Durgà. It is not clear how or when the ownership of the temple passed from the Jainas to the Brahmanas.

Anmakunda, or, as it is called in the subjoined inscription, Anmakunda (l. 16) or Anmakunda (l. 75), was originally the capital of the Kâkatîya kings and was situated in the Andhra country.³ The neighbouring town of Warangal (Ôrumgallu in Telugu or Êkasilânagara in Sanskrit) became the seat of government about the end of Ganapati's reign and continued as such until the collapse of the Kâkatîya family.⁴ Anmal onda and Warangal are now stations

Nexam's Territories, p. 47). The temples near the Rümappa Lake in the Worangal district are (ibid. p. 40) of the same type as the great temple at Hauumkonda, but more profusely sculptured. The principal temple of this group appears to have been built in A.D. 1213-14 by Rudra of Recharla, who was a dependant of the Kükatiya king Ganaputi. The village Uparpalle in the Yelgandal district, is also reported to contain some rub ed temples attributable to the Kükatiya period (ibid. p. 74). The rimina of the Tripurintakévara temple at Tripurintakam in the Kurnool district was constructed in A.D. 1254-55 under the orders of the Kükatiya king Ganaputi (Epigraphical collection for 1905, No. 160.) The Padmäkshi temple at Anmakonda is the earliest known structural monument of the Käkatiya period and this may account for its heing plain and devoid of the display of ar which is quite characteristic of the later structures of the dynasty.

¹ Jaina remains are mostly to be seen in the western portion of the Nizam's Dominions, which borders on the Bombay Presidency. Annuakonda is almost on the eastern border; see the map accompanying Mr. Consens' Lists of Antiquarian Remains in H. H. the Nizam's Territories.

² Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1901-2, paragraph 7. The goddess Padmäkshi to whom the temple is delicated must be one of the twenty-four Śasanadecis of the Jaina mythology. Amba or Ambika, the Śasanadeci of the 22nd Tiethańkara Neminatha, is supposed to be a form of Durga. Padmävati was the Śasanadeci of Parsvanātha (Dr. Burgess' Archwol. Surv. of Western India, Vol. V. p. 45 f. and p. 46, note 2). It might, therefore, be supposed that the goddess consecrated by Mailama in the basadi at Annuakonda was either Ambika or Fadmävati—called, in Kanarese, Kadalalaya, the meaning of which I have not been able to trace.

2 Above, Vol. 11I., p. 82, and footnote 4.

⁴ The Ganapesvaram inscription of the time of Ganapati states (v. 9) that Rudra, son of Prôla, destroyed many towns and founded quarters named after those towns in the city of Ornnigalla and peopled them with their respective inhabitants; while in the devastated towns he built celebrated temples of Rudrésvara and settled fresh ishabitants. If there be any truth in this statement, it may be inferred that Warangal, which was already in existence as an important city (see I. 95 of the subjoinel inscription also), was greatly improved by Rudra. Recharla Rudra, a general of (danaputi (see above, p. 256, note 8) is said to have put to flight king Nagati and founded the temple of Rudrôśvara at the city of Orugallu (Warangal)—perhaps after his own name. Orangallu or Oragulla, which was thus improved by the Kakadya king Rudra, appears to have occupied only a subordinate position in the time of Prôla, Rudra and Ganapati, while Anmakonda was the capital. No. 273 of the Epigraphical collection for 1905-06 which belongs to the time of Rudra and is dated in Saka-Sameat 1107. Yikolvasu (= A.D. 1185-86) states that the mahdmandal civara Kakatiya Rudrudêva-Mahâraja was "the land of Annunakonda, the best of towns." Nos. 195 and 223 of the same collection belong to Canapari and are both dated in Saka-Samvat 1174, Paridhavia (=A.D. 1252-53). The former rofers to Compariti as "the lord of Anuma konda, the best of towns." In Saka-Samvat 1175 Ganapate still called himself the load of Anumakonda (Mr. Butterworth's Nellors Inscriptions, O. 28). But No. 231 of the Epigraphical collection for 1905, dated in Saka-Samvat 1176, Ananda, distinctly scares that Camputi was rating with Orngallu as his capital. Whether his successor Rudramadêvi (or, as she is called in inscriptions, Rudradêvi-Maharaja) reigned from the newly established capital Warangal or not, it is difficult to say. Her successor Prataparudra rajet over almost the whole of the Telugu country and portions even of the Tamil country from his throne at Orungallu. He is generally known as Orunganti Prathparu Ira lêva, i.e. Prathpurudradêva of Orungallu.

on the Hyderabad-Bezvada section of the Nizam's State Railway and seem to have been included about the beginning of the twelfth century A.D. in the district of Sabbi-sâyira 'the Sabbi one thousand,' which formed part of the Western Châlukya empire, and to have been conferred by Tribhuvanamalla-Vikramâditya VI. on his feudatory the Kâkatîya chief Tribhuvanamalla-Beta. Sabbi-sâyira is not mentioned in other published records and, consequently, its extent cannot be defined until more lithic records from that part of the Nizam's Dominions are published.

The subjoined inscription3 engraved on the four faces of the pillar above referred to, is written in bold and clear Kanaroso characters of the twelfth century A.D. The written surface measures roughly in breadth 1' $3\frac{1}{2}$ " on the east and west faces and 1' $2\frac{1}{2}$ " on the north and south faces, while in height it is 3' 6", 3' 5\frac{1}{3}", 3' 7", and 3' 3\frac{1}{3}" respectively, on the east, north, west and south faces. The sculptures which the four faces of the pillar hear have been noted already. Verse I, which contains the invocation, and the imprecatory verses (11 and 12) are in the Sanskrit language. Lines 89 to 91 contain an incomplete Sanskrit verse which is evidently meant to be a quotation. The rest of the inscription is in Kanarese prose (II. 6 to 24, 70 to 88, 91 to 99, and 111 and 112) and poetry (verses 2 to 10). The writing calls for very few remarks. The anusvara is sometimes, as in ancient records, written at the top of the right side of the letter (11, 1, 3, and 4), and sometimes, as at present. written on the right side of the letter (Il. 86, 98, 100 and 102). The right accurs over in 4, 62 where it is marked by a wavy vertical line added to the top of the letter. The d-sign, which is almost similar in form to the virging, is also attached to the top of the letter, but is horizontal. In II. 40 and 55, however, the e of da in the word pergade and d of yd in the word $h_i iday %cari$. are marked differently by a curved line attached to the left bottom corner of the letter and drawn horizontally to its right. In other cases this sign along with the \(\ell\)-sign first described, marks the ai-sign. An attempt is made to distinguish the long i from the short i but it is not throughout kept up. Among consonants it may be noted, that the length of the horizontal stroke in the middle, which in the case of pa ought to be shorter than in that of sha, is in some instances lengthened so far as to make pa look almost like sha. The forms keimel for kramel in 1. 20 and yejhar for yajhar in 1. 103 are due to the peculiarities of Kanarese prounnelation.

The record begins with an invocation addressed to the feet of Jinéndra (v. 1) and refers in II. 6 to 24 to the reign of the mahirijidhirija, paraméhara and paramabhattirata, the [Western] Châlakya king Teibhuvanamalladêva [Vikramâditya VI.] and his fendatory the mahimandalééeara Kâkati Bêta (l. 19), who had acquired the five great sounds (pañchamahdéalda) and who was 'the lord of Anmakundâ (h. 16), the best of towns.' The hereditary minister of Kâkatî Bêtarasa (l. 30) was the dandâdhinâtha Vaija (v. 2). Verse 3 states that Vaija brought his master the mandalika Kâkati Bêta (ll. 32 and 37) to the feet of the Chalukya (l. 33) emperor* (chakrin) (viz. Vikramâditya VI.) and made him rule the district of

¹ See verse 3 below.

² Sebbi or Chhebbi të irty, a small district over which the Western Ganga king Panchaladeva was ruling in A.D. 971, and which took its name from the village of Chabbi or Chhabbi in the Hubbi tiduka of the Dharwar district (Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynastics, p. 307) seems to be different from the Sabbi-sâyira district which was ruled by the Kakatiya chief Bêta.

No. 106 of the Epigraphical collection for 1902. Mr. Cousens refers to this as No. 4 of the inscriptions at Hannockonda and Warangal (Lists of Antiquarian Remains in H. H. the Nizam's Territories, p. 48).

In footnote 7 on p. 91 of Vol. VI. above, Professor Linders questions the propriety of the title chakris (chakrarartin) as applied to Vikeamáditya VI in an inscription at Śravana-Belgola, dated in Saka-Samvat 1051. He presumes that the title chakrin is based on the analogy of the epithets sarrajūachākravartin pratāpachākravartin and Chālukyachākravartin assumed respectively by three of Vikramāditya's successors, v.z. Somešvava III., Jagudēkamalis II. and Taila III. The title Chālukya-chākrin applied to Vikramāditya VI. in the subjoined inscription leaves no doubt that this imperial biruda originated with him;

Sabbi-sayira (I. 34 f.) as a fendatory of that monarch. According to verses 4 and 5 Vaija's son by Yakumabbe (1.38 f.) was the pergade Bêta, who became the minister of Kâkatî Prôla (1,43). The only act of this Bêta which the inscription records, is that he constructed ten houses for gods (i.e. temples) in his native village (v. 5). The wife of this minister Bêta-the son of Yakamambika (1.53 f.)-was Mailama (vv. 6, 7 and 8). Lines 70 to 87 state that she built the Kadalalaya-basadi on the top of the hill (v. 9) and that--in the Chalukya-Vikrama (1. 76) year forty-two, which corresponded to the cyclic year Hemalambi, on the occasion of the Uttarayana-samkranti, which fell on Monday, the 15th day of the dark half of Paushya, while the king Kakatiya Polalarasa (1, 73), son of the mandalika Tribhuvanamalla (l. 72) was ruling at Ammakunde (l. 75), - she gave for the be cfit of that temple six mattar (l. 86) of land below the tank built and named after herself, by her husband Betana-pergude (l. 81). The pillar that bears the inscription was also set up by Mailama on the same occasion (1, 87). Lines 88 to 99 register a gift of ten matter (1, 98 f.) of land to the same temple by the mahamandalistrara Molarasa of Ugravadi (11. 92 to 94), a member of the family of Mûdha[va]varman (1.91) ' (who possessed a fabulous army) of eight thousand elephants, ton crores of horses and numberless foot-soldiers.' The land which Mclarasa granted was situated below the Kuchikere tank, which belonged to Orningallu (1, 95). This town was under the control of Molarasa at the time of the grant. Lines 111 to 112 record the assignment of a pâga (hâga) coin to the temple sweeper Bôya-Padda, to be paid, apparently from the proceeds of either of the two grants mentioned above.

The late Professor Kielhorn kindly contributed the following remarks on the date of the incription:—"Ch. V. 42= S. 1039 exp.= Hêmalamba. The date regularly corresponds to Monday, the 24th Docember A.D. 1117. On this day the Uttarâyaṇa-sanikrânti took place 14 h. 55 m. after mean sunrise, during the 15th tithi of the dark half of Pausha, which commenced 6 h. 38 m. after mean sunrise, and endel 0 h. 13 m. before mean sunrise of the following day."

Seven inscriptions of the Kakatiya dynasty have been published so far.³ The earliest of these belongs to the time of Rudra,³ five to that of Ganapati,⁴ and one to that of Prataparudra. The first of these and the Kanchi inscription of Ganapati⁵ supplement one another in supplying the full name of the first historical person of the Kakatiya dynasty, riz. Tribhuvanamalla Betma. The Chébrôlu record of Ganapati⁶ and the subjoined inscription give, instead of Betma, the form Béta. The former of these two records and the unpublished Pakhal inscription of about the time of Ganapati⁷ mention a certain Durjaya in the Kakatiya ancestry—the one, as the father of Béta and the other as the father of Prôla. The Pakhal inscription further states that

chakrin is also used in the sense of 'provincial chief;' above, Vol. IV., p. 96.

This tank is, perhaps, to be identified with the one at the foot of the hillock on which the Padmakshi temple is situated.

² Nos. 534 to 589 and No. 1066 of Appendix to Vol. VII. above.

⁸ This is his Anmakonda inscription of Saka-Samvat 1084, published in *Indian Antiquary*, Vol. XI. pp. 9 ff. An unpublished record at Triparantakam in the Kurnool district (No. 273 of the Epigraphical collection for 1905) gives for him the data Saka-Samvat 1107. The initial date of the next king Ganqpati being now fixed at Saka-Samvat 1121 (Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1905-06, Part II., paragraph 43) it follows that Radra must have ruled from at least Saka-1084 to 1121. However, the events recorded in the Annuakonda inscription of Rudra presume a much carlier date for his accession than Saka 1084.

^{&#}x27;These range in date between Saka 1135 and Saka 1172. The earliest inscription of Ganapati found at Tripurantakam is dated in Saka-Samvat 1131 which was probably his 10th year. He must have been ruling the country round Bezvada already in Saka 1123; see below, p. 262, note 2.

^b Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 197 ff.

⁷ No. 82 of the Epigraphical collection for 1902-03. This is not dated, but records the construction of the (Pakhal) tank by Jagadála-Mummadi, son of Bayyana-Nâyaka, a minister of the Kakatiya king Ganapati. One is (Pakhal) tank by Jagadála-Mummadi, the capital of the Bastar State in the Central Provinces, with the chief Jagadála-Mummadi. The tradition that the kings of Bastar trace their descent from the Kakatiya king Pratāparudra Mummadi. The tradition that the kings of Bastar trace their descent from the Kakatiya king Pratāparudra (acove, p. 164 f.) lends further support to the chief's connection with Jagdalpur.

Karikala-Chôla of the solar race was one of the predecessors of Durjaya. The Kanchi epigraph anoted above, which also traces the Kâkatîyas, as the Chêbrôlu and the Pâkhâl inscriptions do, to the Sun, Manu, Ikshvaku, and other mythical kings of the Raghu family, does not give the names of either Karikâla-Chôla or of Durjaya. The appearance of these two names in the Kakatiya genealogy is at present difficult to explain satisfactorily. But two facts which may be of some use in this connection have to be registered before passing on to the historical portion of the genealogy. As regards the mention of the mythical king Karikâla-Chôla as an ancestor of the Kakatiyas, attention may be drawn to the fact that the Telugu-Chodas who invariably claim connection with this mythical Chôla king, became feudatories of the Kakatiyas in the time of Ganapati.1 With regard to Durjaya, the name occurs among the aucostors of two of the contemporary local families of the Telaga country.2 The first historical arcestor of the Kâkatiya family was Tribhuvanamalla-Bêta. He appears to have been a powerful chief who held sway over some portions of the Andhra country before he became a feudatory of the Western Châlukyas and the governor of the Sabbi one thousand district. The surname Tribhuvanamalla which occurs here as well as in the Kânchî and Anmakonda inscriptions, was probably borrowed from his overlord Tribhuvanamalla Vikramaditya VI.

Bêta's son and successor was Prôla, Prôloraja, Prôdaraja or Polalarasa, whose surname Jagatikësarin is known to us from the Kañchi inscription of his grandson Gaṇapati. The importance of the subjoined epigraph consists in its being the earliest Kakatiya record and the only one of Prôla found so far. Like his father Bêta, Prôla appears to have continued as a fendatory of Vikramâditya VI.³ The Anmakonda inscription of his sent Rudra and the Gaṇapêsvaram record of his grandson Gaṇapati, mention in detail the military exploits of Prôla. These have been fully discussed by Dr. Fleet and Professor Hultzsch.⁵ One of the opponents of Prôla was Tailapadêva called "the crest-jewel of the Châlukyas" in the Anmakonda inscription. Dr. Fleet has identified him with the Western Châlukya king Taila III. (A.D. 1150-51 to 1162-63). This implies a pretty long reign for Prôla from at least the Châlukya-Vikrama year 42 (= A.D. 1117), the date of the present record, to at least A D. 1150-51, the first year of Taila III., unless we suppose that Prôla fought with Taila while the latter was yet a prince.⁶ That Rudra, son of Prôla, successfully averted a usurpation of the Châlukya throne after the death of Taila III., by a certain Bhîma

¹ See Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1899-1900, p. 18, Genealogical Table of the Chôdas of the Telega country, remarks under Ópilisiddhi II and paragraph 53.

² The Kondapadunati chief Buddharâja and the mahâmandalêśvara Nambaya—two petty chieftains of the Telugu country on the southern side of the Krishna river—bore the aurname 'the lion of the mountain: the Durjaya family' (above, Vol. VI. p. 263 and footnote 6, and p. 269). We know from Telugu records that a family of chiefs known by the mame Châgi was contemporaneous with the Kondapadnatis. Nos. 253 and 271 of the Epigraphical collection for 1897 give two or three names in the ancestry of this family and call it the Durjaya-kula born from the feet of Vishqu. No. 255 of the same collection, which is dated in Saka-Samuat 1148 and which belongs to the time of Châgi Gaṇapaya-Mahârâja who was probably a member of this Châgi Durjaya-kula, quotes a verse at the beginning in praise of the king which is almost identical with verse 7 of the Yenamadala inscription describing the Kâkatîya king Gaṇapati tabove. Vol. 111. p. 97 f., text fl. 31 to 36). Unfortunately the inscription is secionally damaged; otherwise, it might, perhaps, have been possible to prove that the local chiefs of the Châgi Durjaya-kula were borrowing from the royal Kâkatîya family of Warangal not only names, but sometimes even the description of the members of its family.

³ This may be inferred from the use of the Chalukya-Vikrams era in the date portion of the subjoined record.

^{*} The Pakhal Inscription referred to above, states that Rudra was born in the family of Prôla, which is quite against the testimony of other Kâkatiya inscriptions.

⁵ Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 10 and above, Vol. 111 p. 83.

⁶ The second alternative seems of he the more probable one, for Prôla is actually stated to have captured Taila in battle and to have released him, out of 'loyalty and love' (bhakty=anuragat). This may imply the existence of a sovereign on the Chalukya throne different from Taila. Chalukya-chaladmani seems to have been a title of Western Chalukya princes who, before succeeding to the throne, generally served as governors of provinces.

whose capital was at Vardhamananagari, shows the extent of the power wielded by this fendatory family in the last days of the Châlukyas. Pròla's other enemies referred to in the Anmakonda inscription were Jagaddeva, Govinda (or Govindadandesa, as he is called in the Ganapésvaram inscription), Gunda and Udaya or Chôdôdaya. Jagaddèva has been identified vith Tribhuvanamalla Jagaddeva, the Santara chief of Patti-Pombuchchapura, who was a fendatory, first of Tribhuvanamalla Vikramâditya VI. and then of his grandson Jagadekamalla II. He must have "stool encompassing the city of Anumakonda" on behalf of the Chalukya emperor in order to avenge himself upon Prôla, who, it may be supposed, was trying to throw off his allegiance to the Chalukyas. It was, probably, as the first step in this direction, that Prola inflicted the defeat on prince Taila III. as stated above. Indeed, Prola appears to have extended his military operations into the modern Kistua district as well. For, the next opponent of his was Gunda, the lord of the city of Manthena or Mantrakûta which is probably identical with the village of Mantena² in the Nuzvid Zamîndârî of the Godavari district. Gövinda or Gövindadandêsa, I would identify with the Gövindarâja of the Ablûr inscriptions,3 who was the nephew of Anantapala, the general of Vikramaditya VI.—and with the dandandyaka Govindarasa. who in the Chalukya-Vikrama year 51, corresponding to A.D. 1126-27 was ruling the Kondapalli three hundred district according to an unpublished inscription at Tripurantakam.4 Here we are told that this dandamiyaka Gòvindarasa "burnt Bengipura (Vôngi?)" and conquered Gonka.⁵ This Gonka is apparently identical with the Volanandu chief Gonka II., father of Rajendra-Chôda.6 Udaya or Chôdô laya, whom Prôla first defeated and then reinstated in his dominions. is according to Professor Hultzsch perhaps "to be connected with Kulôttunga-Chôda-Gonka

Vira Nolamba Palbaya Permanadi Javasinghadéva, younger brother of Tribhuvanamalla-Vikramaditys VI, had such a birnda. Perhaps Taila's defeat by Prôla took place while the former was yet a prince, somewhere in the latter part of the reign of Jagadékamalla II.

² There is a place called Mantaui in the Yelgandal district of the Nizam's State which is about 70 miles north of Aumskonda.

⁸ Above, Vol. V. p. 213 ff.

* No. 258 of the Epigraphical collection for 1905.

⁵ Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1905-06, paragraph 40.

Above, Vol. IV. p. 35. On p. 38 of the same volume, Professor Hultzsch refers to the biruda Chálukyarajya-bhayana-mallastambha of Gonka II. and states that he was a tributary to one of the two branches of the Châlukya dynasty. I think that, in spite of the fact that the Velanâṇḍa chiefs became the feudatories of the Western Châlukyas subsequent to the death of Kulôttunga-Chôda I. (ibid. p. 37), the title borne by Gonka II. was a formal hereditary title and did refer only to the Eastern Châlukya dynasty. No. 227 of the Epigraphical collection for 1905 at Tripurantakam in the Kurnool district records a gift by Velananti-Gonka in Saka-Samvat 1028 (= A.D. 1106-07). This Gonka is identical with Gonka I, in the Genealog cal Table of the Velanandu chief a. The inscription states that he bore the title Châlukya-râjya-bhavana-mûlastambha, but does not mention the overlord to whom he was subordinate. No. 151 of 1807, however, which is dated in Śaka-Sanivat. 998, the cyclic year Nala, corresponding to the [7]th year of Vishņuvardhans-Mahārāja [Kulôttuhen-Chôla L] registers a grant by Velananti Gonkaya (i.e. Gonka I.), the commander of all forces (samasta-sanathipati) of the king. This shows that the title Chalukya-rajya-bhavana malastambha assumed by Gonka I, when he had become more or less independent in the Telugu country, meant that he was a supporter of the Eastern Chalukya kingdom. We also learn from No. 151 of 1897 that Gonka I. was the son of Gundâmbikâ. He was a trisatôttara-sahasravantwitha 'the lord of the one thousand and three hundred country' (No. 277 of 1905), while his grandson Gonka II. was h trisatóttara-shatsahasrávant-ndiha', he lerd of the six thousand and three hundred country' (No. 274 of 1893).

^{**}Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 11. Vardhamânanagari is said to have been burnt by Rudra after marching 'a few-teps' from his capital Anmakonda. Dr. Fleet suggests, accordingly, that it should be looked for somewhere in the Nizam's dominions not far from Anmakonda. There are two places with either of which Vardhamananagari may be identified. One is Vardhamananagari may be identified. One is Vardhamananagari is mentioned in an inscription engraved on the fort wall at Raichur, as a feudatory of Pratharudra. The record is dated in A.D. 1294 which is the carliest date for Pratharudra derived from inscriptions (Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1995-06, Part II., puragraph 44). I quote this from a brief note on the inscription made by the Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches in Mysore in his Annual Report for the year ending 30th June 1907, paragraph 56.

of Velanandu." Thus Prôla who, in his early career, was a Châlukya feudatory, appears to have gradually grown powerful and to have thrown off the imperial yoke in the latter part of the reign of the Wostern Châlukya king Jagadèkañalla II., preparing, thereby, the way for Rudra's extensive conquests, which according to the Anmakonda inscription, reached in the east to the shore of the salt sea and in the south as far as Śriśaila.

The other facts mentioned in the subjoined inscription do not call for any remarks. Mélarasa of Ugravâdi who belonged to the family of Madhavavarman, is not known from other inscriptions. A fendatory family of the time of the Vijayanagara king Krishnaraya, whose members chain to have been lords of Bezvâda and were rading a portion of the Udayagiri-rajya, traces its origin to a certain Madhavavarman of the Solar race and the Vasishibagòtra. It is doubtful if this Madhavavarman could be connected with the mythical Madhavavarman referred to in the subjoined inscription as an ancestor of Mélarasa of Ugravaeji.

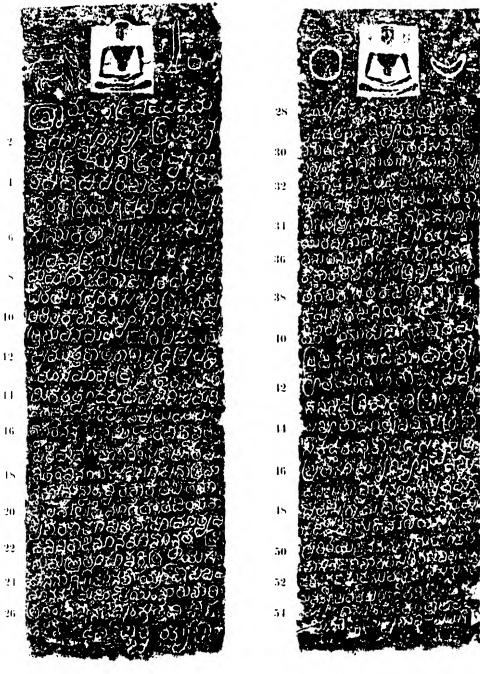
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- 4 sêsha-dosha-parikhanidana-chanda-kâ-
- 5 ndam ratna-traya-prabhavam adgha-
- 1 Above, Vol. 111, p. 83. If this surmise of Professor Hultzsch is granted, Chôdô laya may be identified with the Velanandu chief Kulô tanga-Chôda-Gonka III (No. 17 of the Genealogical Table of the Velanandu chiefs of p. 35 of above, Vol. 1V.) whose inscriptions range between A.D. 1138 and A.D. 1157. And the word Chôdôcongo, which literally means '(one who is) born of Chôda' may very aptly be applied to Kulôttunga-Chôda-Gonka III., whose father Velananti-Rajêndra-Chôda is called Chôda of Volanandu in one of his inscription at Palakèl, dated in A.D. 1136 (No. 524 of the Epigraphical collection for 1893) and is referred to as king Chôdi in an inscription at Nidubrôlu, dated in A.D. 1132 (No. 163 of the Epigraphical collection for 1897, text line 27 f.), and probably also in the Ganapé-évaram inscription as king Chôdi, the overlord of the Ayya chief Narayana I, who was the grandfather of Jayana, the general of Ganapati. This identification of Chôdôlaya with Gonka III. whose latest date as stated above, is A.D. 1157, if correct, would render probable the statement made in the Annakonda inscription that Chôdô laya died out of fear of Prôla's successor Rudra, who burnt his city.
- 2 This is no boast so far as the southern boundary of Rudra's dominions is concerned. The existence of an inscription of his time at Tripurautakam in the Kurnool district (No. 273 of the Epigraphical collection for 1905) clearly shows that the actual southern boundary of his kingdom extended even beyond Srisaila. Rudra appears to have strengthened his position in the Telugu country by a political intermarriage in the race of Kandhrolaya-Chôda (above, Vol. 111, p. 83). Ganapati did likewise by taking to wives Naramba and Péramba, the two sisters of his general Jayana (ihid. p. 84). A Tripurantakam inscription (No. 204 of the Epigraphical collection for 1905) states that Ganapati's sister Mélambikâ married Vakkadinnalla Rudra, the second son of Buddha flord of Natavati-vishaya.' The same relationship is established by an inscription at Bezvada which is dated in Saka-Samvat 1123 (above, Vol. VI. p. 159, text line 8) where Natavadi Rudra (not his father Buddha as Professor Hultzsch takes it) is called the marandi 'brother-in-law' of Ganapati. Ganapati's daughter Ganapamba was given in marriage to the Kôta chief Bêta of Amarâvati (above, Vol. III. p. 94). The Kôta chief Kêta II., whose mether Sabbama was the sister of the Velanandu chief Gonka III. (above, Vol. VI. p. 148), had five queens who were selected from the several petty families which at that time appear to have divided among themselves the country south of the Krishna river. Two unpublished inscriptions from Amaravati in the Guntur district (Nos. 261 and 262 of the Epigraphical collection for 1897) give the names of these five queens as Vinjama of the family of the chiefs of Onginimarga (perhaps identical with Ongôgumarga over which Nambaya of the Durjaya family was ruling; see above, Vol. VI. p. 224); Sabbama of the family ruling the country "to the west of the hill," i.e. the Kondapad matis; Parvati of the family of the chiefs of Kôna-Kandravadi; Nagama of the family of the chiefs of Kakan and Komarama, another princess of the Kondapadnati family. It is doubtful if the Kakati family here mentioned has to be connected with the Kakatiyas of Warangal or if it has to be distinguished as a purely local family which adopted the name Kakati in consequence of its relationship with the Kakatiyas either directly or indirectly.
 - Annual Report on Epigraphy for 1906-07, Part II., paragraph 73.
 - From two ink-impressions prepared by me in 1902.

Anmakonda inscription of Prola. — Chalukya Vikrama 42.

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- 9 paramabhattaraka Satyasraya-ku-
- 10 la-tilakam Châluky-âbharanam śrima-
- ll t-[T]ribhuvanamalladêvara vijaya-râ-
- 12 jyam-uttar ôttar-âbhivriddhi pravarddha-
- 13 månam=å-chamdr-årkka-tårom salutta-
- 14 m=ire [||*] Tat-pâdapadm-ôpajîvi samadhi-
- 15 gatapainchamahásabda mahámain[da]-
- 16 lêśvaran Anmakundâ-puravar-êśvaram
- 17 parama-Mâhôśvavani pati-hita-cha-
- 18 ritam vina[ya]-vibhûshanam srîma-
- 19 n-mahâmaṇḍaļôśvara[m] Kākati-Béta-[bhû]-
- 20 påla-kula-kri(kra)mågatam tadiya-rå-
- 21 jya-bhara-nirûpita-mahâmâtya-pa-
- 22 davî-virâjamâna mân-ônnata pra-
- 23 bhu-maintr-oft]sâha-śakti-traya-sain-
- 24 pamnan-a[gi] || Ghana-sauryy-atòpa[di]m
- 25 mantanada mahimoyim charn-chari-
- 26 tradim[d-o]lpina telpin sat-kaļā-kausa-
- 27 [adi[n=o]david=Ascharyya-[sau]in-

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- 28 daryyadimd-a[rtthi]nikâya-peartthit-Arttha-
- 29 [pra]da-vitaraņa-[vi]khyâtan-âdam dharitrî-
- 30 [vi]nutam śri-Kakati-Bôtarasana sachi-
- 31 vam Vaija danidadhinatha || [2*] Aganita-sauryya-
- 32 dim negadda(|da) Kākati-Bêta-narôindranam jagain
- 33 pomgalel Chalukya chakri-charanam sale kâ-
- 34 nisi tat-prasâdadiin bagegole Sabbi-sâ-
- 35 yiraman-Alisifd-u dgha-yasô-
- 36 dhinathanain pogaladar aro mainda[li]-
- 37 ka-Kâkati-Bêtana maintri Vaijana [[[3*]] Â-
- 38 tangam vikasita-kamjat-anane Ya-
- 39 kamabbegam janiyisidam khyatam
- 40 dhareyolu perggade Betain main-
- 41 tri-jana-makuta-chûdâratna | [4*]
- 42 Âtam Mam [dh] âta Râm-ôpama-
- 43 n-enisida śrî-Kâkatî-Prôla-bhû-
- 44 pa-khyat-Amatyana vivêk-agrani³
- 45 sakala-kala-kôvidam sach-charitra-
- 46 prîtam sâhitya-vid fâ-ni[dhi] bu-
- 47 da(dha)-vibudh-ôrvvîruhain satya-dharmm-ô-
- 48 pêtam sva-grâmadól=mûdidan ati-ma-
- 49 dadim hattu dêvâlayamga|u³ || [5*]
- 50 Atisaya-Jaina-dharmma-samay-ôchita-
- 51 Śasanadôvi Bharati-sati śasi(śi)-bimba-va[ktra]-

¹ Read pogate.

In the translation I have taken this word to be synonymous with vivêky-agrani.

^{*} About the u here and II. 55, 68, and 69, which Dr. Fleet thinks to be a form of the virama, see above, Vol. V. p. 237.

- 52 dasana chehhado suddha-suvarnna(nna)-kumbha-sannuta-ta-
- 53 nuvaruma(rnna)-pîvara-[pa]yôdhari Maila[ma Yâ]-
- 54 [ka]mâinbikâ-su[ta]-tad-amâtya-[Bê]ta-[bri]-
- 55 day-ĉśvari nischala-Lakshmi bhâvisalu[||][6*]

West Face.

- 56 Padadimd-â-lulit-âlakam barega[m=am]g-ô-
- 57 paingamain paincha-rathadin-aing-échitam age
- 58 nirmmisi sura-strî-bh[â]gya-saubhâgya-
- 53 samma[da]-saum[da]ryyaman=âydu tîvi
- 60 padedam Kamjàta-samjâtan=î su[datî]-
- 61 ratnaman=eindu Mailamanan=âr=âr=bbamisa-
- 62 r-llôkadol || [7*] Nuta-rûpavati kalâ[va]-
- 63 ti rati-Rati Śrî-sati Ghatantakî-sati Va-
- 64 nî-satiy-cind-amâtya-Bêtana satiyan
- 65 kshitiy ollam=cydo nutiyisut=irkku[m ||] [8*]
- 66 Mudadimdzeno negalda [Ra]m-aspado Mai-
- 67 lama bhaktiyimdo madisi tanag=abhyuda-
- 68 yakaram-âgiralu bettada [mê]gaņa
- 69 Kadalalaya-basadiyan=eseyalu[||][9*]
- 70 Adarkko nitya-pûjegam dhûpa-dîpa-[ni]vôdya-
- 71 kkam pûjârig=âhâ[ra]!-vastrâdigalgam
- 72 śrîmat-[T]ribhuvanamalla-maindalika-bhû[pâ]-
- 73 la-putran-appa Kakatiya-Polalarasana ra-
- 74 jyam=ntta[r]-ôttar-â[bhi]vri(vri)ddhi-pravarddhamânam-â-
- 75 g=Ammakumdeyal-â-chamdr-ârk[ka]-târam sa-
- 76 luttum=iro śrimach- Ohâlukya-Vikrama-va[r]sha-
- 77 da nalvatt-erade(da)noya Hemalambi-[sam]-
- 78 vatsara Paushya-bahula 15 Somava-
- 79 rad-amdin-Uttarayana-samkramti-nimi-
- 80 ttain dhârâ-pûrvvakam-âgi tan[na] vallabhan-appa
- 81 Bêtana-perggado tanna pesarimdam mâdi-
- 82 sida kegey-êriya kelagan eradum
- 83 has-age-ga[1*]lugala nadu(du)vana gardhde(rdde)[ya]
- 84 mattar-eradum mattam-A-kereya pa-
- 85 du (du) vana nela doneya temkal-ereya
- 86 mattar=nnálukum karambam ma[tta]r=âlu(ju)-
- 87 main kottu nirisidaļ-i-sa[sa]na-gambha II

South Face.

- 88 Mattam=î dharmmakke tellatiy-âge[||*|
- 89 A[shtau] danti-sahasrani dasa-kô-
- 90 tî cha vâjinâm [[*] anantam pâda-sam-
- 91 ghâtam=ity=êtê Madha[va*]varmma-
- 92 vains-odbhavar-appa śriman-maha-
- 93 mandalésvaran=Ugrava[di]-
- 94 ya Melarasam tann-a[li]ko-

¹ In the original the syllables gahara look like gahamta.

- 95 y=Orumgalla Kûchikere-
- 96 y-êriya kolag[e] kâluveya
- 97 modala garddeya mattar=ond=å sa-
- 98 mîpadale karamban matta-
- 99 ru hattuman=itta || Nirutam=i-
- 100 dan alidavam sâsira-kavi[le]-
- 101 yan ali[da] papamam [po]rddu-
- 102 gum=adaradin rakshi[si*]dan sa-
- 103 sira-ye(ya)jñada palaman-eydi
- 104 śubha[ma]m padegu[m*] || [10*] Sva-da-
- 105 ttâm para-dattâm vâ yô harêta
- 106 vasumdharam [|*] shashtir=vvarsha-sahasr[a]-
- 107 ni vishthayam jayatê krimih [[11*]
- 108 Bahubhir=vvasudhā dattā rājabhis=Sa-
- 109 gar-adibhih [|*] yasya yasya ya-
- 110 då bhûmis=tasya tasya tadâ phalam || [12*]
- 111 Alli basadiya kasam ge(ga)leva Bô-
- 112 ya-[Pa]ddainge påga voindu ||

TRANSLATION.

- (Verse 1.) May the lotus-foot of the blessed Jinêndra, which (like the lotus) is worthy of being praised by the lords of kings and the lords of ascetics (residing) in the three worlds, whose powerful doctrine completely destroys (all) sins (just as the powerful stom of the lotus completely cures the patient of his dishal), which is the origin of the ratua-traya² (as the lotus is the birth-place of gems³) (and) which has its attention fixed on excellent virtues (guna) only (as the stock of the lotus is made up entirely of delicate fibre), protect all Bhavyas!
- (Line 6 f.) Hail! While the victorious reign of the glorious Tribhuvanamalladéva,—the asylum of the whole world, the glorious Prithvivallabha, Mahdrájádhirája, Paramévara, Paramibhattáraka, the front ornament of the Satyaśraya family, the jewel of the Châlukyas,—was flourishing with perpetual increase (to last) as long as the moon, sun, and stars.
- (L. 14 f.) A dependent on his lotus-feet (was) the prosperous mahâmandalesvara, the chief Kâkati Bêtarasa who had acquired the five great sounds, (who was) a mahâmandalesvara, the lord of Anmakundâ—the best of towns, a great devotee of Mahêsvara (Śiva), (one) whose actions were (directed) for the good of (his) master (and) whose ornament was modesty.⁵
- (L. 20 f.) Resplendent in (his) position as the hereditary prime minister (mahimitya) entrusted with the administration of the kingdom of that king (i.e. Beta), great of self-respect (and) possessing the triple qualifications of pre-eminence, counsel and energy,
- (V. 2.) the dandadhinatha Vaija, minister of the glorious king Kakati Beta, wershipped by (all the people of) the world for (his) liberality which bestowed desired objects on crowds

¹ Dotha is a medical term and means, according to Dr. Kittel, 'black or red spots on the tongue foreboding death.' It may be that according to Indian medical science, the lotus-stem is a powerful agent in removing this dotha.

² See above, Vol. VIII. p. 134, note 8.

³ These are the lotus seeds which as sacrel beads are worn round the neck and are called *tdvare-mani* (lotus-gens) in Kanarese.

⁴ I.e. the Jaina community; see Mr. Bice's Epigraphia Carnatica, Vol. II., p. 59, paragraph 6.

The original appears to have visayi- in which case the phrase may be translated "the jewel among the well-behaved;" but as visitya-vibhdshana is the form which generally occurs in inscriptions, I prefer to read-ya instead of yi.

- of supplicants, for (his) surpassing beauty which amazed (those who saw him), for his high proficiency in the sciences, for (his) refined goodness, for (his) charming behaviour, for the greatness of (his) pride (and) for the display of (his) dauntless heroism,—became famous.
- (V. 3.) Who does not extel the minister of the mandalika Kâkati Bêta, Vaija, that master of prodigious fame, who by (his) immeasurable provess made, amidst the applauses of the world, the renowned king Kâkati Bêta to successfully visit the feet of the Chalukya emperor (chakrin), (and) to rule by the favour of that (emperor) the Sabbi (one) thousand (district) (in such a way) as to attract the attention (of the world).
- (V. 4.) To him and to (his wife) the blooming lotus-faced Yakamabbo was born pergade Beta who, famous (as he was) in the world, was a head-jewel in the diadems of the minister-class.
- (V. 5.) He (Bêta), the exalted minister of the prosperous king Kâkatî-Prôla, who was counted as equal to Mândhâta and Râms, the foremost among the wise, proficient in all sciences, an admirer of good behaviour, a mine of literary lore, a celestial tree to learned men possessing truth and virtue, built, with great delight, ten houses for gods (i.e. temples) in his own village.
- (V. 6.) The wife of the minister Bêta, the son of [Yâ]kamâmbikâ, (was) Mailama, whose face was (as pleasant as) the moon (and) whose lips were (red like) the bimba (fruit), the colour of whose body was praised as being fair (and her) full breasts as being golden pots, (who was) the (veritable) lady Bhâratî, a Sâsanadêvî (par excellence) acceptable to the doctrines of the Jaina religion (and) decidedly, (the goddess) Lakshmî (but) without (the latter's) fickleness.
- (V. 7.) Who, who in this world does not extol Mailama saying: "The lotus-born (Brahman) having produced, out of the five gems (such) as best suited the portion of the body (under creation), the (several) limbs with (their) adjuncts from the feet right up to those tremulous curls, (and) having filled (them) with happiness, grace, joy (and) beauty (which he) culled from among the colostial nymphs,—(he) loved (to see) this gem of womankind (—his own creation)."
- (V. 8.) The whole world would praise deservedly the wife of the minister Bôta saying: "She possesses praiseworthy beauty; she is full of lustre; (she) is a Rati in dalliance; (she) is the lady Śrî (i.e. Lakshmi), (she) is the lady Ghaṭāntaki; (she) is the lady Vânî (i.e. Sarasvatî)."
- (V. 9.) The thus-praised abode of Ramâ (i.e. Lakshmî)— Mailama— having caused to be built with delight and devotion the resplendent Kadalalâya-basadi (temple) on the top of the hill in order that it may bring prosperity to her—
- (L. 70.) for the daily worship, incense, lights (and) oblations (in the temple) (and) for food, clothing, etc., of the temple priest,—
- (L. 72.) while the reign of Kâkatiya Polalarasa, son of the glorious king, the Mandalika Tribhuvanamalla, was continuously prosperous and successful, at Ammakunde, (to last) as long as the moon, sun and stars—in the forty-second year of the prosperous Châlukya-Vikrama years, corresponding to the Hômalambi-samvatsara; on account of the Uttarâyana-samkrânti

The word mantana is not found in Dr. Kitter's Kannada-English Dictionary. Perhaps it is a poetical form for manatana.

² The Jaina saint Akalanka is said in the Mallishena epitaph (above, Vol. III. p. 200) to have overcome, along with the Banddhas, the Buddhist goddess Tärä who had secretly descended into a pot as dwelling place. According to the Rajdwalt-kaths (Mr. Rice's Epigraphia Carnatica, Vol. II. p. 45) Akalanka was helped in his disputation against the Banddhas by the Jaina goddess Kushmandini and eventually kicked over the pot with his left fort and smashed it. In the present inscription Mailama is apparently compared to the goddess Kushmandini who helped Akalanka to smash the pot in which the goddess Tärä had taken her abode.

(which happened) on Monday, the 15th day of the dark fortnight of Paushya (of that year)—

- (L. 80.) gave to that (temple), with libations of water, two matter of wet land (lying) between two flat slabs below the band of the tank built in her name by her husband Bêtana-pergade, and four matter of black-soil land (lying) south of the pond (done) on the west side of the same tank and six matter of uncultivated land, (and) set up this inscribed pillar.
- (L. 88 f.) And as a (subsidiary) gift to this charity the prosperous mahdman dalesvara Môlarasa of Ugravêdi, who was born in the family of Mêdha[vav]arma, (whose army consisted) of "eight thousand elephants, eight crores of horses and endless crowds of foot (soldiers) etc.," gave one mattar of wet-land at the head of the canal below the band of Kūchikero (tank) which belonged to Orumgallu (included) within his rule, (and) ten mattar of miscellaneous land close to the same (land).
- (V. 10.) He that destroys this (charity) shall always incur the sin of having killed thousand tawny cows; (and) he that carefully protects it, shall ever enjoy (that) happiness (which is) acquired as the fruit of a thousand sacrifices $(yaj\bar{n}a)$.
 - [Ll. 104 to 110 contain two of the usual imprecatory verses.]
- (L. 111 f.) One $pdga^2$ (is assigned) to Bôya-Padda who removes the sweepings in that temple.

No. 36.— BALAGHAT PLATES OF PRITHIVISHENA II.

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These plates were sent in May 1893 by the Deputy Commissioner of Bâlâghât, a district in the Nâgpur Division of the Central Provinces, to the Asiatic Society of Bengal, to which they now belong. In the letter which accompanied them, it was stated that they had been found in the district, 'some time ago, hanging to a tree in the jungle.' They were entrusted to me by Dr. Hoernle in 1905, with the request that I should edit the inscription which is engraved on them. Other work has prevented my doing so before now.

The plates are five in number, each between $6\frac{3}{4}$ " and $6\frac{7}{8}$ " long by between $3\frac{7}{8}$ " and 4" high; two of them contain no writing whatever, while of the three others (here described as plates i, ii and iii) the second is engraved on both sides and the first and the third on one side only. Though the plates have no raised rims and are not fashioned thicker near the edges, the engraving on them is throughout in a perfect state of preservation. The five plates are strung on a ring, which passes through a hole about $1\frac{1}{4}$ " distant from the middle of the proper right margin of each plate. This ring is circular, about $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick and between 3" and $3\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter. The ends of it are flattened off and joined by a bolt, which had not been cut when the plates came into my hands. On the ring described there slides a smaller ring, made of a band of copper, the ends of which are fastened by a rivet which also passes through, and firmly holds, a flat disc of copper about $2\frac{3}{4}$ " in diameter. Undoubtedly this disc was meant to serve as a scal and to bear some writing, but nothing has been engraved on it.

The plates clearly were intended to record a grant of the Vâkâṭaka king Prithivishena II., but they actually give only the genealogy of the king and break off at the point where his order

I have taken karambam to be synonymous with Tamil karambu, which, according to Dr. Winslow, means thard and sterile ground.

This small coin, more popularly pronounced haga, is equal to 'one-fourth of a hana.'

³ Compare the descriptions of the three sets of plates of Pravarasons II. in Gupta Inser. pp. 235 and 248 and above, Vol. III., p. 258.

commences. The four inscribed sides contain 35 lines of well-engraved writing. the letters is between 4" and 3". The characters belong to the 'box-headed' variety of the southern class of alphabets and are similar to, but less angular than, those of the Dudia plates of the Vakataka Pravarasana II., published with a facsimile above, Vol. III. p. 260. They include the subscript sign of the rare jh, in Ajjhitao, 1. 31, the sign of the jihvamuliya, in sundha Kuntald', 1. 30, and forms of the final t, in samrát, 1. 4, and of the final t (which does not show in the facsimile), in vachanit, 1. 35.2 The conjunct nn is everywhere written by a sign which is really the sign for nn (in sannivésita-, 1. 6, utpannasya, 1. 23, and elsewhere); visarga is denoted by two hook-shaped lines (e. g. in sûnôh, Il. 11 and 20); the signs for d and d are well distinguished, e.g. in -vasakad=, 1. 1, and shadasy-, 1. 2; and there are two forms of the letter v, e.g. in -visakids, 1. 1, and vachanit, 1. 35. - The language is somewhat ungrammatical Sanskrit. and the text is all in prose. In line 10 a passage of no less than 27 aksharas has through care. lessness been omitted by the writer. As regards orthography, the rules of saindhi are constantly neglected (as in the three cognate grants); the (long) a is several times written where the vowel should be short, and (the short) i is throughout employed for both i and i; the vowel ri is used instead of ri in -pautrinah, 1. 16, and -śriyah, 1. 27, and instead of ri in śri-, 1l. 17 and 25. Besides, the dental and lingual nasals are confounded in kârunya-, 1. 12, manô-, 1. 13, and -anuscirinah, 1. 20; the word amsa is written as ansa in line 6, and vamsa as vansa in lines 8. 24. 27 and 33; sh is doubled after r in varshsha-, 1. 14, and dh before y in -addhyaksha, 1. 35. With patir-abhya for paty-abhya in line 28, where the r of patir- looks like a samdhi-consonant. we may compare -hhalam-aiśvaryya- for -bbalaiśvaryya- in line 15 of the Dudia plates, above. Vol. III, p. 261, where m is used in a similar way.3

With two exceptions, the text down to the word Pravarasenasya in line 26 is practically identical with that of the three published grants of the Vakataka king Pravarasca II.; like those grants, it gives the genealogy of this king, commencing with Pravarasena I., and enumerating after him his son's son Rudrasena I., his son Prithivishena I., his son Rudrasena II., and his son (from Prabhavatigupta, the daughter of the Maharajadhiraja Davagupta) Pravarasons II. Of the exceptions referred to, one is that our inscription commences with Vémbáravisakid, from (his) residence Vémbâra, in the place of which the Chammak and Dudia plates of Pravarascina II. have Pravarapurat, 'from Pravarapura.' Our grant therefore was to have been issued from Vêmbâra, a place which I have not been able to identify. The other point of difference is that, while the grants of Pravarasena II. commence with drishtam, or drishtam svasti, or drishtam siddham, this inscription contains no such expression, but at the beginning of line 1, before the word Vêmbûra-, leaves an empty space just where one would have expected something like drishtam. The emission and the vacant space, in my opinion, are rather significant. Contrary to what I have said in my remarks on the Dudia plates, above, Vol. III. p. 259, I am convinced now that drishtam (and the Prakrit ditham of the Mayidavôlu and Hîrahadagalli plates;) must really be taken in its ordinary sense of 'seen,' and that it is similar to the modern 'true copy' or 'examined' of official letters or Government orders.6 Such a remark

In preparing the accompanying facsimile, the last line on the first side of the second plate unfortunately was at first overlooked; it is really line 18, and the lines marked in the facsimile as lines 18-34 are really lines 19-35.

There is a final m in line 27 (line 26 of the facsimile), but it seems to be out of place where it stands.
Other passages where m looks distinctly like a samdhi-consonant are tena maneka-for tendneka- in Ind.
Ant. Vol. XIX, p. 309, line 10, and pracesayitaryd manyathd for pracesayitaryd anaythd in Gupta Inser.
p. 257, line 13.

See above, p. 267, note 2.

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Nos. 617 and 618 of my Southern List.

⁶ Compare the remarks of the late Prof. Bühler, above Vol. I, pp. 9 and 10, and of Prof. Hultzsch above, Vol. VI, p. 88. Sir W. H. Sleeman, speaking of co-tain kings of Oude, in his Journey through the Kingdom of Oude, Vol. I, p. 179, says that to their orders a seal was affixed in their presence bearing the inscription mohalisa shud, 'it has been seen.' Like drishtam, jadtam is used in the body of an inscription in Journ. As. Soc. Bengal, Vol. LXIX, Part I, p. 92, 1.21 (jadtam-mahdmantri-tri-Mahakéna).

could of course have been affixed or prefixed to a document only when it was finished, and it is missing here because our grant was not completed. The engraver apparently acted just as a writer or copyist of the grant would have done.

After Pravarasêna II. our inscription in lines 26-35 mentions his son, the Mahārāja Narēndrasêna, and after him his son — born from the queen (mahālīvā) Ajjhita-bhaṭṭārikā,¹ a daughter of the lord of Kuntala — the Mahārāja Prithivishēna [II.], a devout worshipper of Bhagavat (Vishņu). Narēndrasēna, 'from confidence³ in the excellent qualities previously acquired by him, took away (or appropriated) the family's fortune; his commands were honoured by the lords of Kôsala, Mêkala and Mâlava, and he held in check enemies bowed down by his provess.' Prithivishēna II. is described as 'being a receptacle of splendour and forbearance, who raised (his) sunken family.' The namo Prithivishēnasya, in line 35, is followed by vachanāt, 'at his command'; but of the king's order only the words 'all superintendents' are given by these plates.

In the Vâkâṭaka stone inscription published in Archwol. Survey of W. India, Vol. IV. p. 124 ff., the verses 10 and 11, which would have given the names of the successors of Pravarasena II., are unfortunately much mutilated. The name of Pravarasena's son and succossor, 'who, having obtained the kingdom when eight years of age, ruled well,' has quite disappeared, and the son of that unknown king according to the published text was Devasena. As has been stated above, according to our grant Pravarasêna's son Narêndrasêna took away the kingdom (probably from an elder brother), married a daughter of the king of Kuntala. and was succeeded by his son Prithivishena II. The stone inscription in verse 8 records the defeat of a lord of Kuntala by apparently Prithivishena I., and in verse 18 speaks of Kuntala, Avanti, Kalinga, Kôsala, Trikûţa, Laţa, Andhra [as having been subjected by one of the later Vakatakas]. According to the present inscription Narandrasana had his commands honoured (or obeyed) by the lords of Kôsala, Mêkala and Mâlava. The first and last of these three countries are well known. The situation of Mékala (according to the Topographical List of the Bribatsamhita in Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. p. 185, a mountain or a people) is indicated by the fact that the river Narmada is called Mekala-kanyd, 'the daughter of Mêkala, and that that river springs from the hill Amarakantak (in Long. 81° 48' and Lat. 22' 40') in the ancient Chêdi country.3

Here and in the cognate plates the Våkåtaka kings have the title mahārāja followed by the word srī prefixed to their names, and before the title there stands in each case the genitive Vākātakānām; e.g. Vākātakānām mahārāja=ŝrī-Pravarasēnasya. Such passages have been hitherto translated as if the genitive Vākātakānām were governed by the title mahārāja: 'the illustrious Pravarasēna, the great king of the Vākātakas,' or 'the Mahārāja of the Vākātakas, the illustrious Pravarasēna.' The matter is not of great importance, but it may be as well to state that from the grammarian's point of view such a construction would be objectionable. In my opinion, the genitive must be taken to qualify, not the title mahārāja, but the whole phrase mahārāja-ŝrī-Pravarasēna, and more especially the word Pravarasēna, the chief component of the phrase, so that the meaning would be 'the Mahārāja, the illustrious Pravarasēna of the Vākātakas,' i.e. 'of the family of the Vākātakas.' I have already had occasion to point out that we similarly have the genitive Maitrakānām in the Valabhî plates, where there is no title by which this genitive could be governed; Vishnukundinām above, Vol. IV. p. 195, 1. 2; and

¹ The name Ajjhitadevi we also find in the Kāritalāi plates of the Mahārāja Jayanātha; Gupta Insor. p. 118.

² The reading of the original text is not absolutely certain here.

² Compare Archael. Survey of India, Vol. XVII., Plate I., and the verse cited by Dr. Bhandarkar above, Vol. IV., p. 280.

[.] The same remark applies to the genitive Bhdrafiedndm in line 10 of the inscription.

Kadambinim in Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 26, l. 5 and Vol. VII. p. 35, l. 4, and above, Vol. VI. p. 14 l. 4, and p. 18, l. 5.

The inscription, not having been finished, contains no date of any kind, but it may be assigned with probability to about the second half of the 8th century A.D.

TEXT.1

First Plate.

²Vêmbûra-vâsakâd-agnishţêm-âptêryyâm-êkthya-

2 shôdaśy-atirâtra-vâjapôya-brihaspatisava-sâdya-

- 3 skra-chaturasvamedha-yajinah3 Vishnuvriddha-sagotra-
- 4 sya samrāt⁴ Vākātākānām-mahārāja-śri-⁶Pravarasê-

5 nasya sûnôs-sûnôh atyanta-Svâmi-Mahâ-

ansa-bhara-sannivêsita-oŠiva-6 bhairava-bhaktasya7

7 ling-odvahana-Śiva-suparitushţa-samutpâdita-

- 8 rájavansánám10-parákram-ádhigata-Bhágiratthy-ámala-11
- jala-19 mûrddhnâbhishiktân în =dasî îs vamêdh- ava-

Second Plate ; First Side.

- 10 bhritha-snátánám=Bharasivanam=13maharája-sri-14Rudrase-
- 11 nasya sûnôh atyanta-mâhêśvarasya saty-ârjjava-

12 kûrunya(nya)-sauryya-vikrama-naya-vinaya-maha-

 $tmya-dhimatva-p\$tragatabhaktitva-dharmm\$vijayitva^{-15}man \lceil \delta \rceil^{-16}$

nairmmaly-adir-17guna-samuditasya varshsha-sata-

- m=abhivarddhamâna-kôśa-danda-sâdhana- santâna-putra-
- pautri(tri)nah Yndhishthira vrittôr 18 Vvakatakanam-maha-
- râja-śri(śrî)-Prithivishénasya sûnô[h*] bhagavata-17
- 18 ś=Chakrapane[h*] prasad-oparjjita-śri-19

Second Plate : Second Side.

- samudayasya Vâkāṭakānām-mahārāja-śri-20Rudra-19
- senasya sûnôh hpûrvvaraj-anuvritta-mû[r*]gg-anu(nu)sa-20

1 From the original plates.

- 2 At the commencement of this line there is an empty space sufficient for about three aksharas. One would have expected here the word driehlam, with which the three grants of Pravarasena II. begin.
- This sign of visarga is clearly visible in the original. Here and in other places below the rules of sandhi have not been observed.
 - 4 The plates of Pravarascua II. have samrad (?), sashrat, and samratah. Read samrajah (or samrajo).

5 The akshara sil is clear in the original.

I Here is a mark in the original which looks like the upper half of a visarga.

8 Read amea ..

In this word and everywhere below the conjunct nn is denoted by a sign which is really the sign for nn.

11 Rend - Bhagtrathy amala. 10 Read 'vamsandm=.

12 Read -mirddhabhi"; compare Gupta Inser. p. 237, 1. 6. 18 Here the words maharaja-srt-Bhavandga-dauhitrasya Gautamiputrasya putrasya Pakatakanam of the cognate plates have erroneously been emitted.

14 Read -Art-.

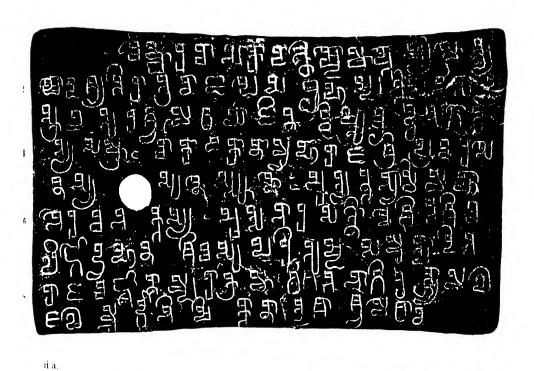
15 Read -dhimottva-pātrāgatabhaktatva dharmmavijayilva-.

16 Read -man6-.

17 Read nairrimaly 3a -.

Gupta Inser., p. 246, lines 14 and 15.

- 18 Originally ovio was engraved. 20 Read -frt-.
- 10 One would have expected prosaddd-updo.-Read -iri-.
- 21 Of the three grants of Pravarusena II., only the Siwani grant has the passage from here to "dvishah; see



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- 21 rinah sunaya-bala-parakram-ômehhinna-lanryvadvi-
- 22 shah maharajadhiraja-sri-Devagupta-sutaya.
- 23 m-Prabhavatiguptayam-utpannasya Vakata-
- 24 %kavańś-âlankârabhûtasya Śambhôh prasadâd=dhra(dhri)-
- 25 4ta-kârttayugasya 5Vâkâtakânâ[m*]=mahârâjja(ja)-śri(śrî)-
- 26 Pravarasénasya sûnôh pûrvvâdhigata-guņa-
- 27 °vi]śvå[så?]d=apahrita-vansasriyah7 Kôsala-8

Third Plate.

- 28 Mêkala9-Mâlav-âdhipatir-abhyarchchata-10sâsanasya pra-
- 29 tápa-pralátárisanasyall Vákátakánám-mahá-
- 30 rája-éri-12 Naréndrasénasya sûnôli=Kuntaladhipati-
- 31 sutâyâ[m*]=mahâdêvyâm=Ajjhita-bhattârikâyâm=n-
- 32 tpannasya tôjah-kshamâ-sannidhânabhuta-13
- 33 syali dvimagna-vańsasyli-oddharttuh Vakatakana-
- 34 m-paramabhagavata-maharaja-śrila-Prithivishe-
- 35 nasya vachanat¹⁷ asmatsantaka¹⁸ sarvy-addhyaksha-

No. 37.—ORISSA PLATES OF VIDYADHARABHANJADEVA.

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There is no information as to where or when these plates were first obtained. In 1887 they belonged to Mr. C. T. Metcalfo, Commissioner of the Orissa Division, and the inscription which is engraved on them was published in that year, with a facsimile, by the late Dr. Rájendralál Mitra, in the Journ. As. Soc. Beng., Vol. LVI. Part I. p. 154 ff. In November 1895 the plates were presented by the Commissioner of Orissa, through Mr. C. L. Griesbach, to the Asiatic Society of Bengal, and they have now been entrusted to me by Dr. Hoernle, with the request to re-edit the inscription.

There are three substantial copper-plates, the edges of which are slightly raised, and of which each measures between $6\frac{1}{16}$ and $6\frac{1}{8}$ long by between $3\frac{2}{8}$ and $3\frac{1}{2}$ high. They slide on a copper ring, which passes through a hole, which is about $\frac{8}{8}$ distant from the middle of

⁶ Here some akshara (perhaps the initial i) was engraved, but has been crased.

- The reading is doubtful. The first akshara of the line is vi, the superscript i of which, though faint, is distinctly visible in the original; and the second appears to be srd. The third akshara looks more like yd than sd, and is followed by a sign which looks like a form of final m, and has probably been struck out. The da and what follows is clear.
 - Read -vamfafriyah.

B Read Kosala ..

Porhaps Maikald- has actually been engraved; read Makala-.

- 10 Read paty-abhyarchohita. 11 Read pranathrisdsanasya (?).
- 12 Read -srt-. 18 Read "bhata-.
- 14 Here again there is a mark which looks like part of the visarga.
- 15 Read ni(!)magna-vamsasy=. 16 Read -fri-.
- 17 This final t, the sign for which is very small, is really visible in the original plate. In Gupta Inser. p. 237, 1. 17, the text has vachand [t*].

16 Read cantakdes, and compare above, Vol. III. p. 261, 1. 13.

Read .ochchhinna -.

² Read -srt-.

⁸ Read -kanamis.

Instead of this ta- the Chammak and Siwani grants of Pravarasona II. have ti-, which seems to and preferable.

the proper right margin of each plate. The ring, which had already been cut when the plates came into my hands, is between "" and ?" thick and about 3" in diameter, and on to it is soldered a roughly circular metal seal, between lig" and lig" in diameter. The seal contains in relief on a countersunk surface, in the upper half, a couching lion facing to the proper right, and in the lower half the legend

śri-Vidyadharabhañjadevasya

in northern characters which are between "a" and 1" high.

Before the plates were used for the grant now engraved on them, they had already served for another grant, the four last lines of which, though faint, are almost completely legible on the first side of the first plate, and of the writing of which more or less distinct traces remain also on the other sides of the plates. The characters of this earlier grant belong to what I have elsewhere called the Ganjam variety of the northern alphabet; and the lines with which it ended, compared with the end of the Gumsûr grant? of Nêtribhanja, published in Journ, As. Soc. Beng. Vol. VI. p. 669 f. and Plate xxxiii., would seem to show that the grant was issued by a chief of the same family. The four lines (on the first side of the first plate), so far as I am able to read them, are:-

- L. 1. Svayam Adishtô rajña dûtakô=tra [Mar]tam lah || Likhitamn cha3 sândhivi-
 - 2. grahika-Arkka[dêvêna]4 || Lâñchhitam [râ]jñî-śrî-Mânikya-mahâdê-
 - 3. vyå || Utkîrnnam ch-aksha[sa]li-Kumara[dattêna] || *samvat
 - 4. di⁶

The grant now recorded on these plates is engraved on the second side of the first plate and on both sides of the two others. The engraving is deep and well done, and in a perfect state of preservation. In three places (in lines 10, 22 and 35) there is some doubt about the actual wording of the text, either because the engraver altered what he had originally engraved, or because portions of the letters of the earlier grant spoken of above are mixed up with the new writing; the rest may be read without any difficulty. The size of the letters is about γ_0^{α} . The characters belong to that variety of the northern alphabet which we find, e.g. on the Buguda plates of Madhavavarman, treated of above, Vol. VII. p. 101 f. Of the consonant signs the most characteristic are those for h⁷ (e.g. in Harasya Sésháhér=, 1. 4), t and tt (e.g. in prakata-, 1. 9, and -vighattitâ, l. 6), and n (e.g. in -vana-prana-, l. 1), of which the last, in combination with palatals, also serves for the palatal nasal (e.g. in Bhanjamala, 1. 14, =uktan-cha, 1. 27, and l.in.chhitam, 1, 35). Among other conjuncts attention may be drawn to the signs for ksh, qq, qbh,

See above, Vol. VII., p. 101.

⁻² The published text, which was furnished to Mr. Prinsep by Kamalakanta Vidyalamkara, is quite untrustworthy. According to Mr. Prinsep's lithograph of Lieutenant Kittoe's copy, the passage with which we are concerned here, so far as I can make it out, would be svayam=ddishto rajud ddtako-tra bhatta-irt-Stambhadtrah likhitan-cha edndhivigrahind K4[kka]kéna utkkrnna[m] ch=dkehatdli-Durggadévéna || ldnohitam

^{. .} samvat (?) Magha-sudi . .

⁸ Read likhitañ=cha.

Read grahik-Arkka^o. 5 Read samuat; the three aksharas by which this worl is followed are illegible.

⁶ This di is followed by a sign which possibly is a letter-numeral for 10; and before the sign of punctuation there is another sign which looks like the symbol for om. The two signs show fairly well in the accompaning facsimile. I may add that there are letter-numerals also in the last line of the Bamanghati grant of Ranabhanja. published with a facsimile in Journ. As. Sac. Reng. Vol. XL. Part I. p. 165 f., and in lines 35 and 36 of one of the Ganjam grants of Dandimahadevi, sbove, Vol. VI. p. 139 and Plate.

⁷ The same sign for h (which is not given by our palmographic Tables) we find in the Buguda plates of Madhavavarinen, in the Gumsur plates of Nêtribhenja, and on the accordance of the plate of Dandland adeal, above, Vol. VI. p. 138. It was also used in the grant originally engraved on these plates. A similar form of h we find in several varieties of the southern alphabet.

dbh and mbh (e.g. in -vikshôbha-daksham, l. 1, ovargga, l. 10, -Digbhañjadóvasya, l. 12, =udbháat the end of line 4, and -Stambhadêva-, 1. 36). There is a special sign for final t, in -anyat, 1. 18, nyat, at the commencement of line 19, yavat, 1, 21, and ordishat for orothat, 1, 22. Of initial vowels the text contains or ly a (for a), i, u and d, in achandra, 1. 21, iva, 11. 5 and 6, iti, 1. 33, Upamany[u]-, 1. 23, urtkirnna, 1. 38, and étado, 1. 19. As regards medial vowels, d is sometimes denoted by a short superscript stroke or by a small hook on the right of the consonantsign, as in labhanja° at the commencement of line 13, and in Bhanjamala°, 1.14; and there are two signs! of the subscript u, one of which may be seen e.g. in jayatu, l. 1, and bhuvana, l. 2. and the other in -surao, 1. 7, -rîpuo, 1. 10, Vanjulvaka-, 1. 8, and arcahubhir, 1. 27, etc. : the former of the two signs is used also to denote medial \hat{u} , for which there is no separate sign in these plates. Two forms of medial δ may be seen e.g. in $\hat{S}\hat{c}sh\hat{a}h\hat{c}r=a(i)va$ $y\hat{c}_{i}$, 1. 4, and pra(prå)leyåchala-, l. 5; and similarly two forms of medial o, e.g. in kirttayô vilo, l. 35. The sign of anusvara is sometimes placed after the consonant-sign, as in padam yatharham. 1. 17. The signs of virama and avagraha do not occur, and a sign of punctuation is found only in lines 20 and 25 (where in either case it is out of place) and at the end of the grant. The language of the inscription is Sanskrit. There are two verses in lines 1-8, and four imprecatory verses in lines 27-35; the rest of the text is in prose. As regards orthography, the sign for v denotes both v and b; visarga at the end of a word is ten times omitted; and single consonants are used instead of double ones in chatusimate for chatussimate, 1. 19, sanuradhat chat for _annrôdhach=cha, l. 26, and five or six times in the words data and dati for datta and datti (lines 25, 28, 29, 31, 32 and perhaps 23). There is besides some confusion of the short and long vowels, especially in the case of i and i, where i is used instead of i no less than nine times (e.g. in nikasha, 1. 3, ripu, 1. 10, salila, 1. 21, etc.); and û, as has been already stated, is everywhere written by the sign for a. A few times the writer or engraver has omitted an alshara, as in Vidyadhabhañja° for Vidyadharabhañja°, l. 15, the chief name of the inscription which is correctly given on the seal; and altogether the grant has been written rather carelessly.

The inscription is one of the devout worshipper of Mahôśvara(Śiva), the ornament of the spotless family of the Bhañjas, the Mahôrôja Vidyadharabhañjadéva, also called king Dharmakalaśa(?), who was a son of Śilabhañjadéva, grandson of Digbhañjadéva, and great-grandson of Raṇabhañjadéva; and its object is to record a grant which was issued by the king from Vañjulvaka. Like the Gumsûr grant of Nêtribhañjadéva Kalyâṇakalasa, it opens with two verses which glorify the (third) eye of Hara (Śiva) and invoke the protection of the waves of the divine Gaṅgà. In lines 15-27 the king informs the Sāmantas, Bhōgins6 and others, the [lords of] vishayas, and the people generally who dwell in the Ramalavva, vishaya, that with pouring out of water he gave the village of Tundurava in that district,

Which of the two signs is used, depends on the consonant to which the sign is attached; thus, k and n slways take the curve-shaped sign and p and s always the straight or hook-shaped sign. In line 17, where the curve-shaped u is attached to p, the akshara intended to be denoted is pd (of pdjayati), not pu; the same remark applies to the u of ntrddhuta (for nirddhuta) in line 11. But in the case of bhu and bhd, u and d are both denoted by the same (curve-shaped) sign.

² Compare e.g. Gangdmalakulatilaka, above, Vol. III. p. 18, l. 12, and Kadamvå(mbå)malakulatilaka, ibid. p. 223. l. 22.

³ In line 5 of the Gañjam plates mentioned in Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. II. p. 33, No. 218 (and of which Dr. Fleet has given me an impression), the name is spelt Silábhañjadéva. Above, Vol. III. p. 353, l. 33, a place Silábhañjapátt, which was in Odra-déta (Orissa), is mentioned.

⁴ The name $Digbha\tilde{n}j\alpha$ also occurs in the Bamanghati plates of Ranabhanja, where there can be no doubt about the reading of it.

The original has vijaya-Vafijulvakat.

^a Compare s.g. above, Vol. VI. p. 298, l. 18: -samanta-bhógika-vishayapati-; ibid. p. 142, l. 25 (in one of Dandimahådèvi's grants) we have the term brihadbhógin.

rent-free, to the bhatta Dârukhandî—a son of Śūridôva(?) and grandson of Gaurichandra—of the Upamanyu gôtra and Bahvricha śākhā (of the Rigvêda); and he enjoins future kings (rājaka) to protect this gift, and (in lines 27-35) quotes four imprecatory verses from the dharmasiistras.

The inscription (in lines 35-38) ends with four statements, introduced severally by the participles lanchhitam, pravesitam, likhitam, and uthirnam. About the meaning of the two last there can be no doubt: the grant was written by the sandhivigrahika (or minister of peace and war) Khambha, and engraved by the akshasalling (or goldsmith) Kumarachandra The term pravesitum I have not found in similar surroundings in any other grant; but since this word takes the place here of the phrase svayam=adishto rajna datako=tra of the Gumsur grant of Nêtribhanja and of the earlier grant on these very plates3 (where that phrase in both cases appears in company with lanchhitam, likhitam and utkirnam), I think that it must likewise be taken to refer to the business of the dataka and that the words pravisitain Kisavina must be translated 'brought (to the donee's) home by (the messenger) Kesaya,' The passage commencing with liftchhitam I am unable to explain properly. According to Dr. Fleet. above, Vol. VII. p. 227, laftchhana denotes the device used on the seals of copper-plate charters. etc., and lânchhita therefore probably means 'furnished with such a device' or 'marked with a seal' (mudrayd mudritam). We find the word in the Bugnda plates of Madhavavarman, above, Vol. III. p. 46, l. 50, ldachhitam Jayasinghena; in the Ganjam plates of Prithivivarmadêva, above, Vol. IV. p. 201, 1. 35, lâmāchhitamā-cha śri-mā(ma)hādēvyā; in the grant which was originally engraved on these plates, above, p. 272, ld#chhitam [ra]j#i-śri-Manikyamahiddwyd, 'marked with a seal by the queen, the glorious Manikya-mahadevî;' and it occurs also in the Gumsûr grant of Nêtribhanja, where the words by which it is followed cannot be made out with confidence. In the present case our text appears to give us lanchhitam sri-Trikalinga-mahaddvyd, 'marked with a seal by the glorious Trikalinga-mahaddvi,'6 which would be similar to what we find in the earlier grant on these plates; but these words are followed by tejadikêna, which may be corrupt and the meaning of which is quite obscure, and after that again we have the instrumental śribhatta-Stambhadeva-montrina, by the minister, the bhatta Stambhaddva,'7 which, for want of the meaning of the obscure word, I see no way of connecting with what precedes. It is curious that in at least two of the passages where the word linchhitam occurs the marking with the seal is stated to have been performed by a queen

Our inscription contains no date of any kind, and for the present it seems impossible to fix its age even approximately, because we know nothing that is certain about the chiefs of the Bhañja family during the Middle Ages,⁸ and possess no dated inscriptions with the same alphabet. With all due reserve I would say that the inscription may perhaps be assigned to the 12th or 13th century A.D.

¹ In the wording of the grant the expressions which are characteristic of the locality to which the grant belongs are sambandha (in line 19, used in the sense of sambaddha), saliladhard-purahsarsna vidhina, and akaratvéna (for which by mistake karatvéna has been engraved). Compare e.g. above, Vol. III. p. 45, l. 3f, and Vol. VII. p. 101.

² On this word, which in Sanskrit is generally spelt akshasalin (s.g. in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 276, l. 24, and Vol. XVIII. p. 145, l. 26), see now Prof. Hultzsch, above, Vol. VII. p. 107, note 4.

⁸ See above, p. 272 and note 2.

⁴ According to Yajūnvalkyn I. 319, the sessana of a king should be svamudropariokihnitam (i.e. sva-mudrayd Garad i-varihidi-rāpay-opari bahif-chihnitam-ankitam). And above, Vol. III. p. 302, 1. 74, there is a versu according to which a charter becomes faultless when it is mudri-fuddha, faultless as regards the seal, etc.

⁵ See above, p. 272, note 2.

[&]quot; Similar names are Choia mahdderl and Ganga-mahaderl.

⁷ In the Gunsur grant of Netribhanja the bhatta, the illustrious Stambhadeva, is mentioned as dataka.

[&]quot;A traditional date in the Saks year 754 (A.D. 832) is given for one of the Bhanja (Bhunzu) chiefs in Mr. Sewoll's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I., p. 3.

As regards the localities, the inscription mentions Vañjulvaka, from where both this grant and the Gumsûr grant of Nêtribhaŭja were issued, the Ramalavva vishaya and in it the village of Tundurava. I have not found the names of these places on the sheets of the Indian Atlas where I have looked for them.

TEXT.1

First Plate ; Socond Side.

- 1 Ôm² [||*] 3Jayatu Kusumavâ(bâ)ņa-prâņa-vikshôbha-daksham svaki-
- 2 ⁴raņaparivêshôrjjityâ-⁵jîrnnêndulêkham [|*] tribhuvanabhavan-â-
- 3 ntar-dyôtabhâsvat-pradîpamê kanakanî (ni) kasha-gauram vibhru? nêtram
- 4 Harasya [||*] ⁸Śeshâhêr=ava⁹ yê phanâ[h*] pravilasanty=udbhû-
- 5 svarêndu-tvisha[b*] pra(prâ)lêyâchala-śringakôtta(ta)ya iva tva-
- 6 nganti ya(yê)=tyunnatê[h*] [|*] nrittâtôpa-vighattitâ iva bhujû râ-
- 7 janti yê Śâ[m] bhavâs=tê sarvvâgha-vighâtina[h*] surasa-
- 8 rit[t*]ôy-ôrmmayah pânt[u] vah [||*] Svasti [|*]Vijaya-Vanjulvaka-10

Second Plate ; First Side.

- 9 deastill śri-vijaya-nilayah prakatagunagana-gra-
- 10 sta-samastarî(ri)puvargga[h*]12 13[śrî-Dharmma ?]kalaśa-nāmā rā-
- 11 ja nîrddhutal4-kalikalushakalmasha[h*] śrî-Ranabhañjadéva-lö
- 12 sya prapautra[h*] śrî-Digbhañjadevasyale napti śrî-Si-
- 13 labhanjadévasya sutah paramamahésvarô matapi-
- 14 tri-pådånudhyåtô Bhañjamalakula17-tilakô mahara-
- 15 ja-śrî-Vidyadha[ra*]bhanjadevasya18 kuśali Ramalavva.19
- ¹ From the original plates.
 ² Denoted by a symbol.
 ³ Metre : Målinî.
- Originally ranapiri was engraved, but the iof pi has been struck out.
- 6 Road Shaurjjitya. Compare Raghuvamsa v. 74: svakiranaparinéshódbhéda-súnyáh pradipah.
- Read . pradipah
- Read babhru; this word is synonymous with pingala, and Siva is pingalaksha. Compare also above. Vol. VI. p. 200, 1.1 of the text.—The Gumsur grant has obdru. [In a letter which never reached the author I suggested that ribbru is correct and should be translated "brow-less."—S. K.]
 - " Metre : Sårdûlavikridita.

- Read civa.
- ¹⁰ These four aksharas are quite clear in the original. Dr. Rajendralal's text has Valjalvaká. The Gumsdr grant appears to have Váñjulvakát, which by Kamalakânta was misread Váñchalikástu.
 - 11 Read t | Asti srl-.
 - 12 The risarga which I have added here and below before frt is not absolutely necessary.
- The words in these brackets are conjectural. As will be seen from the facsimile, four aksharas were originally engraved here, but they were partly struck out or altered; and the difficulty is enhanced by the fact that remnants of letters which were originally engraved on these plates are mixed up with the new letters. I consider it certain that the first akshara is intended to be tri (for tri), and that the last contained the conjunct mm.—
 The corresponding passage of the Gumsûr grant is: Asti jayasrt-nilayah prakalaguna-grasta-sarvaripugarvah tri-Kalyanakalasa-nama raja.
 - 14 Read nirddhala.
- ¹⁵ In the faceimile the first akehara (ra) of this name might be read nra (and was read so by Dr. Rajandralal), but in the original it is distinctly ra, and what looks like v is a remnant of what was originally engraved on the plate.
- ¹⁶ This name is clear in the original; and so is the next. Dr. Rajendraial read the two names Divabhanja and Silthhanja.
 - 17 Dr. Rajendralal read Bhanjonala-kula-. 19 Read odévas-sa.
- ¹⁰ The first three aksharas of this name are clear in the original; the last might be read adha. Dr. Rajendralal read Vamalabhanja., but regarded the letters as doubtful.

Second Plate : Second Side.

- vishay-ê yathânivâsi-sâmanta-bhôgi-bhôgyâdil-vi-
- shaya janapadam yatharham manayati pu(pa)jayati vo(bo)-
- dhayaty-adisati 2ch-anyat sarvvatah 3siyam-asmakam-a-18
- 19 nyat étad v lishaya-samvandha-6Tund[u]ravagrama6 chatusîmâ-
- 20 paryantah? grâmô=yam || mâtâpitrôr=âtmanas*cha puny-â-
- 21 bhivriddhayê Bachandrarkka-samain kâlain yavat salî(li)ladha-
- 22 râ-purabsarêna vidhinâ gun-ânurâdhât⁹ karatvêna¹⁰[bhôgya ?]
- Upamanya-11gôtrâya datê-pravarâya19 Ba(ba)hvricha-śyâkha-13 23

Third Plate : First Side.

- ya Gôrichandrah¹⁴ naptâ Śuridêvasya suta bhâtta-Dâru-24
- khandi || namna pratipadito=smabhis=tad=eaha dati=ddha-16 25
- rmma-gauravad :asmākam =anurodhā16 cha bhavishyad-rājakai[h*] 26°
- pratipâlanîy=êty=17uktañ=cha dharmma-sâstrair=vvahubbir=vva-27
- sudhā datāls rājabhi[h*] Sagar-ādibhir=yasya yasya yadā 28
- bhu(bhû)mis tasya tasya tadâ phalam [[]*] Sva-dattâm para-datâlo vâ
- yô harêta vasundharâm [[*] sa vishthâyâ[m*] krimî20 bhutvâ pi-

Third Plate: Second Side

- 31 tribhi[h*] saha pachyatê [l]*] Mâ bhu(bhû)dzaphala-saṅkâ vah para-dat-6-21
- 32 ti pårthivåh [[*] sva-dånåt=phalam-åntyam29 paradat-ånupåla-
- 1 The akshara bho of bhogyadi has not come out well in the facsimile, but is quite clear in the original. In my opinion, the word bhogi before bhogyadi is superfluous and has been engraved by mistake; and for the following rishaya-janapadam I should have expected something like rishayapattu-janapadami-cha.

2 Read cha | Anyat.—The Gumsûr grant apparently has: -ddifati cha sarvvatah fivam=asmakam=anuat

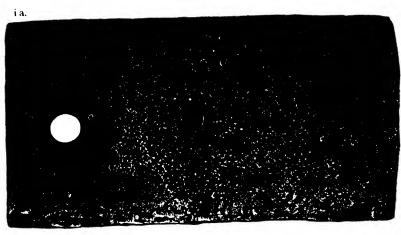
- viditam-astu bhavatāmettadrishaya-.
 - s ()riginally sivim= was engraved, but the i of vi has been struck out.
 - 4 This second -anyat is superfluous.
 - Bend -sambandha- (for -sambaddha-). Read ogramas=chatuhsima-.
 - 7 Read paryanto. The following gramb=yam and the sign of punctuation are superfluous.
 - * Read oddhaya a-chandrarkka-sama-kalam ; the following yavat is superfluous.
 - Read "rodhat.

10 Instead of karatvéna, we require akaratvéna, which (like akartkritya) occurs often in other inscriptions and is quite distinct in the lithograph of the Gumsur grant (though Kamalakanta's text gives dkararatnena). The following two aksharas are conjectural. In the Gumsur grant akaratvéna is possibly followed by bhunjadbhih (for which the text has bhamjadri).

- 11 Read Upamanyu-,
- 13 As the word datta below is several times written data, this might stand for datta- (or perhaps datta-) pravaráya; but I am unable to explain the expression. In Ind. Ant., Vol. XXI. p. 256, 1.43, we have Aupamanyava-sagótráya | Ásláyana-savrahmachárin' bhattapravara-Vthékarátamisráya, where bhattapravara is equally obscure. The Upamanyavas had three pravaras - Vasishtha, Abharadvasu and Indrapramada; compare M. Müller, History of Ancient Sanskrit Lit., p. 385.
 - 11 Read -fákhá-.
 - 11 Gaurichandrasya naptré Śūri(?)dérasya sutáya bhatta-Dárukhandi-námné.
 - 18 Read dattir=ddha-. 16 Read odhách =.
- 17 Read = 8ti | Uktan=cha dharmma-fdetraih | Bahubhir=. Metre of the verses up to the commencement of line 33 : Ślôka (Anushtubh).
 - " Read dattd.

- 19 Read -dattam.
- · 21 Read -datt=6-. 20 Read krimir=bhatvá.
- 22 Read -anantyam paradait-, as e.g. above, Vol. III., p. 45, l. 48; p. 343, l. 26; etc. Instead of anantyam other grants have anandyam (above, Vol. III., p. 348, l. 19, p. 353, l. 45), or anantam (Vol. III., p. 357, l. 50). or atyantam (Vol. VIII., p. 142, l. 25).





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द्राहर्ति हिंदि स्वाहर्ति स्वाहर्ति हिंदि त्या ति विद्राहर्ति स्वाहर्ति स्वाहर्ति स्वाहर्ति स्वाहर्ति स्वाहर्त इति हे ति स्वाहर्ति स्वा

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- 33 na(nê)[||*] Itil kamaladalâmvu(mbu)vindu-lôlâ[m*] śriyam=anuchi-
- 34 ntya man[n]shya-jîvitamu=cha² [|*] sakalam=f(i)dam=udahritañ=cha vudhvâ³
- 35 na hi [pu]rushaih para-kîrttayô vilô[pyâh][*]Lâñchhitam śri-Tri[ka?]lî-4
- 36 nga-ma(ma)hadevy[a] têjadikêna srî-bhatta-Stambhadeva-mant[r]i(tri)pas
- 37 pravôsita[m*] Kôsavôna7 likhitam sanddhivigrihi-śri-Khambhô-
- S na urtkirnna⁹ ch-åkshasålî(li)-Kumāracharndôna¹⁰|| tha¹¹ [||

No. 38.—GHATIYALA INSCRIPTIONS OF KAKKUKA; SAMVAT 918.

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The subjoined inscriptions are all engraved on a column standing in situ in Ghatiyâlâ, twenty-two miles west-north-west of Jôdhpur. The column is not far distant from an old rained Jaina structure, now called Mâtâ-kî-sâl, which contains an inscription edited by Prof. Kielhorn in the Journ. R. As. Soc. 1895, p. 516. Further particulars in connection with those ruins will be found in the Progress Report of the Archwological Survey of India, Western Oircle, for the year ending 31st March 1907. Inscription No. I is engraved on the eastern, and the remaining ones on the western, face of the pillar. The inscriptions are so weather-worn that it is not possible to take good impressions. With patience and perseverance, however, almost the whole of the inscriptions can be deciphered with certainty on the original stone itself.

Inscription No. I contains 20 lines of writing, which covers a space of $2' \ 3_1^{1'}$ high by $1' \ 6''$ broad. The characters agree with those of the inscription found in the Mitd-kt-sit. The language is Sanskrit. The first seven lines are in prose. Lines 8-16 contain five verses. Then the date is given in prose in 1.17. Then a verse occurs which is followed by a line in prose. As regards orthography, the letter b is only once denoted by the sign for v, in kutumvakam, 1.8; consonants are doubled after r; visarga followed by s has been once changed to that letter in ddvyds=sutd, 1.7; the deutal nasal has been used instead of an anusvira before s in $vansa^2$, 1.1; t is doubled in conjunction with a following r; and visarga has been omitted once before the following sta in ayam=ustambhita stambhd, 1.16.

The inscription opens with obeisance to Vintyaka (Ganapati). Then is set forth in prose a genealogical list of the feudatory Pratthara family which is brought down to Kakkuka, to whose reign the inscription belongs. It agrees with the lists furnished by the inscription in the Miti-ki-sil and the epigraph of Bauka found in the Jodhpur city wall. It is followed up by five verses, the first two of which merely contain conventional praise of Kakkuka without giving any historical information. The third verse says that Kakkuka obtained great renown in the countries of Travani, Valla and Mada, amongst (the people known as) Arya, in Gurjjarattra, and in Parvata in the Lata country. Most of these names are repeated in verse 16 in the other

¹ Metre : Pushpitagra.

Read -jivitam cha.

Read buddhvd.

^{*}Read *rf-Trikali-. A sign of the medial i, which was prefixed to the akshara *tri, has been struck out. In the place of *ka (?) another letter was originally engraved.

⁶ With the exception of the d in brackets, the nine akstaras at the beginning of the line are clear in the original.

⁶ The vd at the end of the line and the vvd at the commencement of the next line, which show in the facsimile, seem to me to be remnants of the inscription which was previously engraved on these plates.

⁷ The aksharas sand of this word contain certain marks which were not engraved by the engraver of the present inscription and which were struck out by him.

Bead sandhivigrahi-srt- or sandhivigrahika-srt-.

Read utkirnnam. 10 Read ochandrina.

¹¹ For this mark, which is distinctly that, compare e.g. Ind. Ant. Vol. XVII., p. 140, note 45.

inscription of Kakkuka in the Miti-ki-sil. Thus, Travant is the same as Tamani there, and also occurs in this unaltered form in verse 18 of the Jodhpur inscription of Bauka. Similarly, Valla is mentioned in both these inscriptions. Mada is given in the Miti-ki-sil inscription in conjunction with Maru (Maru-Midu). Jesalmer is still called Mada, and Maru proper can only be the Sheo, Mallaul and Pachpadra districts of the Jödhpur State. Ârya and Gurjaratra are doubtless the Ajja and Gujjaratta of the Miti-ki-sil inscription. Ârya is unidentifiable, but is perhaps the same as that mentioned in Varahamihira's Bribat-samhita, Cap. V, v. 42. Gurjaratra, as has been shown by me elsowhere, comprised the districts of Didwana and Parbatsar of the Jödhpur State. Lata, as was also pointed out by me, embraced about this time the larger portion of the present Gujarat of the Bombay Presidency. Parvata, which is apparently said to be in Lata, is unknown to me. Does Parvata, however, here simply mean a mountain and refer to some such inroad of Kakkuka as that mentioned in the expression gahridna göhanütin girimmi in verse 17 of the Miti-ki-sil record? Or perhaps Parvata may be taken to be a distinct country, and connected with the Pdrvatiyas of the Bribat-samhita, Cap. XVII. v. 16.

Verse 4 of our inscription tells us that Kakkuka erected two columns, one at Rôhimsaka and the other at Maddodara. Exactly the same information is conveyed by verse 21 of the Mild-ki-sil record, excepting that for Rohimsaka we have there Rohimsakapa. Rôhimsaka is undoubtedly the same as this Rôhimsakûpa or the Rôhimsakûpaka of our inscription No. 2, and is to be identified with Ghatiyala. Maddodara, it can scarcely be seriously doubted, is Mandôr, five miles north of Jôdhpur, which is locally believed to have been a seat of Pratîhâra power and is full of very ancient ruins, and where a fragment of a Pratihara inscription was discovered by me last season.3 The next verse informs us that the column on which the inscription has been incised was creeted by Kakkuka. Precisely the same information is given by verse 21 of the Matti-kit-sail inscription. Then follows the date Samvat 918 Chaitra-Sudi 2 budhê Hasta-nekshatre, the same as that mentioned in the latter inscription. And further we are told that here a market was established, and the village peopled with mahájana, i.e. big folk. The very same thing is alluded to in verse 20 of the Mata-ki-sall record. The inscription really ends here so far as the purport of it is concerned, but a verse follows which has something of the character of a subhaishita. Its chief interest, however, lies in the fact that it was composed by Sri-Kakkuka himself, as the line in prose at the end informs us.

Inscription No. II contains 11 lines of writing covering a space of 1' 3" high by $1' 2\frac{1}{2}$ broad. Excepting the opening words Om siddhih, it is in verse up to 1.9, and the rest in prose. The paleography and orthography do not call for any remarks other than those made in connection with inscription No. I. The first verse invokes the blessings of Vinayaka (Ganapati) who, we are told, was placed on the column to ensure prosperity, and, as a matter of fact, the

¹ Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XXI., pp. 414-415. ² Ibid., pp. 413-414.

^{*}Another ancient name of Mandôr is Mandavyapura mentioned in verse 10 of the Jödhpur inscription of the Pratibāra Bauka. In the Progress Report of the Archaeological Survey of India, Western Circle, for the year ending 31st Murch 1907, p. 30, I have said that though this inscription stone was found in the city wall of Jödhpur, it must originally have been at Mandôr, as all stones for the fortification of the fort had been brought from the latter place. This conclusion is confirmed by the first pdda of the verse just referred to, which is Mandavyapura durgdesmin. The word asmin shows that the stone originally was at Mandavyapura, i.e. Mandôr. Mandavyapura, again, is spoken of both as a city and fort, and Mandôr remained so till the prince Jödhä removed his capital from there to Jödhpur. Even to this day some of the portions of the ramparts of Mandôr have been preserved. As the verse in question states that certain Pratibārs brother princes erected ramparts round Mandavyapura fort, it is plain that it was in the possession of the fee latery Pratibāra princes. This is also corroborated by the fact mentioned in the text that last reason 1 found a part of a stone inscription belonging to the Pratibāras. In it the name of Kakka could be distinctly read, and some reference to his son made therein could also be traced. But who that son was — whether Kakkaka or Pāuka — is not certain. The name Māpdavyapura occurs even so late as V. E. 1319 in the Sūndhā hill inscription of Chāchigadêva (above, Vol. IX., p. 78, l. 36).

pillar is surmounted at the top by a quadruple image of Ganapati, facing the cardinal directions. The next verse informs us that the village of Rôhinsakûpaka (Ghaṭiyâļâ) had formerly become unsafe on account of the Abhiras (Ahirs), and had consequently not been a place of residence for good people. Verses 3 and 4 tell us that Kakkuka, the favourite son of Kakka, of the Pratihara race, constructed a market place decorated with variegated streets, went to the houses of Brâhmanas, Kshatriyas (prakriti)⁸ and Vaisyas, and, promising them means of livelihood, established the mahdjana, the big folk there. We thus fully understand what the Milti-ki-sil epigraph and our inscription No. I mean by saying that Kakkuka established a hatta and mahajana at Rohimsaka or Rohimsakapa. Owing to its being infested by the Abhiras, whose predatory instincts even to the present day are not quite extinct, the place must have become deserted, but it was re-peopled by Kakkuka by inducing men of the three principal castes to come and reside there, after he had defeated and onsted the Ahirs. The verse following expresses a wish for the permanence of the prosperity of the mahajana, and of the fame of Kakkuka. Then follows the date Samvat 918 Chaitra Sudi 2 which, though the further details of it are not given, is, it will be seen, identical with that specified in our inscription No. I and the Matti-ki-sil epigraph. Next, we are informed that the inscription was written by a Maga, called Matriravi, and was engraved by the goldsmith Krishnesvara, doubtless the same who incised the Jodhpur inscription of the Pratihara Banka. It is followed up by the name of the sûtradhûra or mason who probably dressed the stone and erected the column, but the name is lost.

The fact that Mâtriravi is called a Maga is very interesting. On the original stone the letters ma and $g\delta$ are quite distinct, and, though na is not so distinct, it is clear enough. No reasonable doubt need, therefore, be entertained as to Mâtriravi being spoken of as a Maga. Maga is another name for the $\hat{S}dkadvip\hat{s}ya$ Brâhmaṇas, about whom the late Professor Weber wrote a very learned and exhaustive paper. Round about Jôdhpur there is a class of Brâhmaṇas known as Sôvaks, most of whom are religious dependants of the Osvâl Śrâvaks. They call themselves Śâkadvîpa Brâhmaṇas, and know that their story is told in the Nâmagrantha of the $\hat{S}ava-purdna$ and also in the $\hat{B}havishya-purdna$. That the Śâkadvîpîyas were originally foreignors has been clearly shown by Professor Weber. But it is only our inscription that furnishes a specific date, viz. V. E. 918, when we can positively assort that Magas lived and were known by this very name in Râjputânâ at least.

Inscription No. III is of two lines containing nothing but verse 5 of Inscription No. I. Inscription No. IV consists of four lines containing two verses. They possess the flavour of subhishitas, and have each one and the same last pida, saying that six things are dear to Kakkuka. What those six things are has been specified in the verses themselves.

No. I. TEXT.³

I DALL.

- 1 भौ विनायकाय नमः ॥ भामीत्रतीशास्वन्त्रगुर-
- ² सद्दिजः⁵ श्रीइरिचन्द्रः [।*] ग्रनेन राज्ञीचित्रयभद्राया जा-
- 3 तः स्रीमानातः स्रोरिक्जिलः [।*] ग्रम्माक्कीनरभटः [।*] শ্ব-

¹ For some remarks on Ahirs, see Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XXI. pp. 430-433; for fuller information still, see my monograph contributed to the Ethnographical Survey of Hombay.

Prakriti, which is the same as pay it in verse 20 of the Mata-kt-sal inscription, here doubtless signifies the Kshatriya class, as it is distinguished both from the vipra (Brahmana) and vanik (Vaisya) classes. This is rather an unusual souse of the word, and so far I have not seen it used in this sense anywhere else.

From the original stone.

[·] Read ano.

- 4 तः श्रीनागभटः [เ*] भतः श्रीतातः [เ*] भतोपि श्रीयभीवर्धनः [เ*]
- 5 बसाच्छ्रीचन्दुक: [।*] बतत्र श्रीशोलुक: [।*] बसाच्छ्री[भो]ट: [।*] बत:
- ด त्रीभिक्तादित्यः [เ*] भतः त्रीगुणान्वितः त्रीककः [เ*] भनेन
- 7 राच्चीत्रीदर्क्षभदेव्यासाती जातः त्रीकक्षुकः ॥
- 8 सन्तः कुट्म्बकं यस्य स्थिरः कामः सितं यगः ।
- 9 विपुला चपलं बुडिराग्रही गुणसंग्रहे ॥ [१*]
- 10 न्यायभंगे भवेत्कीपो रागीपि जनपास[ने]।
- 11 गुरुभ्यस भयं यस्य भूषणं दीनरचणं ॥ [२*] येन
- 12 प्राप्ता मन्नाख्यातिस्त्रवच्यां वन्नमाडयोः। मार्थे-
- 13 प गुर्ज्जरत्वायां लाटदेशे च पर्वते ॥ [१*] तेन महोदरे स्त-
- 14 भारतया रोडिनाके कृत: । उभावप्युत्रतिं नीती खपचा-
- 15 विव जन्मदी ॥ [8*] श्रीमलाकुकवीरण कुलदीपेन
- 16 घीमता । प्रयमुखाभित³ स्तभो यगःस्तभ इवीन्नतः ॥[५*] मंब-
- 17 त् ८१८ चैत्रश्रदि २ ब्धे इस्तनचत्रे । यन्न हरो महाजनस
- 18 स्थापित: ॥ भी [।*] यौवनं विविधैभीगैमीध्यमं च वय:
- 19 त्रिया । व्रह्मावस धर्मीण यस्य याति स पुग्यवान् ॥ [६*]
- 20 भ्रयं स्रोक: श्रीकदुकेन स्वयकृंत:

No. 11.

TEXT.5

- 1 भ्री सिडि: [1*] दिवा राष्ट्री च संध्यायां — —
- 2 मंजुली । सिंडिं करोतु सर्व्यंच स्तम्भधामा वि[ना]-
- 3 यकः ॥ [१*] रोच्चिमकूपकवामः पूर्वंमासीदना-
- 4 त्रय: । यसेव्य: [®]साधुलोकानां घाभीरजनदाक्ण: ॥ [२*]
- 5 विचित्रवीयिमंपूर्गे इष्टं कृत्वा गृशाणि च । विप्रव-
- 6 णिग्प्रक्षतीनां गुद्धं गत्वा प्रियेण च ॥ [३१] श्रीमत्ककस्य पुत्रेण
- 7 सत्रती इारजातिना । कार्बुकेन स्थितिं दला स्थापितोच महा-
- 8 जन: ॥ [8*] महाजनस्य सहिंदः लाभः' पूजा सुखं भृति:। यो
- 9 कक्कस्य कुन्दाभा कीर्त्तिर्भवतु प्राप्तती ॥ [५*] संवत् प्रते ८१८ चैः

¹ Read वाटनान

⁸ Read ेमुन्तिभत. placed over *kri*.

⁵ From the original stone.

र I do not understand the position of चपल here.

⁴ Read ख्यं क्रतः; the anusvara of "yam" must have been inadvertently

- 10 च्रमुदि २ [1*] लिखितं मगे[न] मातृरविणा [1*] उल्लीवर्णा हिमकारेण [क्र]च्ये-
- 11 श्वरेण । सुच्चधारोचा नि..... विश्वा

No. III.

TEXT.

- 1 श्री[मत्म] बुकवीरेण कुलदीपे[न] धीमता। घ-
- 2 यमुत्तिभात स्तभी यग[:*]स्त[भ] इवीवत: ॥

No. IV. TEXT.1

- 1 भौ[।*] यज्ञकी काकलीगीतं शरचन्द्रय मालती
- 2 विनीता स्त्री मतां गोष्ठी कक्षकस्य 'पृयाणि षट् [॥१*]
- 3 न्यायमार्गी ³गुरोभ्भीक्त[:*] पुचे स्नेड: कृतज्ञता ॥
- 🕹 प्रिया वाग्नागरी वेष: कक्कुकस्य पृयाणि' षट् ॥ [२]

No. 39.—SARANGARH COPPER PLATES OF MAHA-SUDEVA.

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Sårangarh is the capital of a feudatory State of the same name in the Chhattîsgarh division of the Central Provinces. 32 miles south of Raigarh, the capital of another State and a station on the Bengal-Nagpar Railway. The chiefs of these two States are Rāj-Gōṇḍs. The plates in question are in the possession of the Rāj family and first came to my notice in the beginning of the year 1903 at my last visit to Sårangarh. As they were locked up and the keys were not available at the time, the then Superintendent of the State, Rai Sahib Âlam Chand, premised to and them to me when I asked for them, but my reversion to the executive duties before I could return to head-quarters, followed by Paṇḍit Âlam Chand's retirement from service, left them where they were, until the present Superintendent Munshî Akbar Khân, took active steps in the matter at the instance of Rai Bahadur Pandà Baijnath, B.A., Dîwân of the Bastar State, and sent them on to me on the 7th January 1908. Thus the recovery of the plates fiest discovered over forty years ago is as much due to the interest of the above gentlemen as to the readiness of Rāja Jawāhar Singh to lend them for examination.

The exact date and the details of the first discovery are not now forthcoming, but the plates are said to have reached the Bengal Asiatic Society on the 7th December 1864.5 Dr. Rajendra Lal Mitra published them in that Society's Journal in 1866, where he stated that they were presented to the Society by Lieutenant G. Bowie of the Sambalpur Police Corps, but when Dr. Floet wrote his Gupta inscriptions about 1888, and searched for the plates, he could not

¹ From the original stone.

² Read fuuifm.

⁸ Read गुरीभंति:.

A Read प्रियाणि.

^b See Journ. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XXXV., p. 195 ff.

find them. He then recorded that as the published version was not sufficiently reliable to be reproduced he was unable to include this inscription in his volume.

The fact appears to be that the plates were never presented to the Society. They were simply lent by and finally returned to the owner, the Sarangarh family, whose State was in those days included in the Sambalpur district, now transferred to Bengal.

These facts combined with the absence of a facsimile copy of the record in Dr. Rajendra Lal's notice, together with certain misreadings of the text, afford, I venture to think, sufficient reasons for re-editing this inscription.

There are two copper plates, each measuring $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$, and the weight of the two together is 12 ozs. $5\frac{1}{2}$ drs. About 1' from the proper right margin each plate has a hole, roundish on one side and squarish on the other, the diameter being about γ_6'' . These were intended for stringing the plates on the ring, the loss of which has deprived our inscription of its last portion, which must have been engraved on a third plate. The lost plate must have contained about 5 or 6 lines which can almost be restored from other inscriptions of the same king, and of Mahâ-Jayarâja, all of which are composed in exactly the same wordings, the names of villages granted and the dences being of course different. In our inscription only some of the imprecatory verses are lost as also the date at the end, which of course cannot be restored. Judging from other inscriptions of this king the date must have been in regnal years, so that it could not have been of much help beyond fixing the priority or otherwise of our inscription as compared with others.

The plates recovered are in an excellent state of preservation. One is inscribed on one side and the other on both in characters of the box-headed variety of the Central Indian alphabet. The letters are very neatly and well formed, their average size being about \(\frac{1}{4}\). The accompanying plate gives a facsimile copy, from impressions kindly taken for me by Mr. T. G. Green, Superintendent of the Government Press, Nagpur.

The language is Sanskrit prose except the usual imprecatory verses, here attributed to Vyūsa. As regards orthography, there is very little to be noticed beyond what has been already done by Dr. Konow with regard to another inscription of the same king recently found at Khariar.³ As the composition is almost identical, the peculiarities are common to both. The upadhmaniya occurs in line 3 in -pradah=parama-. The same sign, viz. 2 dots, has been used for visarga and a pause. Ordinarily mātrās for u, vi and li alone are attached at the foet of letters, but in this inscription there is a curious example in line 12 where the sign for â in anumbilitah is partly exhibited by a top and partly by a foot stroke, all other ô's being represented by the top strokes for â and ê; compare vikkramāpanata- of line 1.

The inscription was issued from the town of Sarabhapura and records the grant of a village named Chullandaraka situated in the bhukti or subdivision of Tundaraka by the Queen and the royal family of Rāja Mahā-Sudēva and assented to by him, to a number of learned priests, viz. Bhāskarasvāmi, Prabhākarasvāmi, Barbbarisvāmi, Bētasvāmi, Dattasvāmi, Vishnusvāmi, Phalgusvāmi, Svāmikārtisvāmi and Sankarasvāmi, all of the Kausika götra. One of these, Vishnusvāmi, is apparently identical with the dence of the Khariar plates. He also belonged to the Kausika götra and received a village in the Khariar zamīndārī from this king. Neither these two nor the third charter of this king, which was obtained from Raipur, throw any light on the dynasty to which he belonged or on

See above, pp. 170 and ff.

¹ Gupta Inscriptions, p. 193, footnete 2.

² Eighteen lines of our inscription remain; the Khariar plates have 23 lines, the Arang plates of Jayaraja 24, and the Raipur plates of Sudêva 23, but these list ones are much smaller in size than the others. Our plates are slightly bigger than all the three sets.

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his date. Dr. Konow has conjectured that the Sarabhapura kings might have been Råshtrakûtas. They were ascendant in the Central Provinces about the 8th century to which period the characters of our inscription belong. But Dr. Konow, for reasons pointed out by him, regards the identification as yet very doubtful.

Of the geographical names occurring in the inscription Sarabhapura, which recurs in the other two grants of Maha-Sudèva, and in the Arang plates of Maha-Jayaraja, has not vet been identified. I identify Tundaraka with the present Tundra, about 6 miles south of Scori Narayan on the Mahanadi and about 35 miles west of Sarangarh. It is now included in the Baloda Bazar tahsil of the Raipur district. The village Chullandaraka must have been somewhere close to Tûndrâ, but I am at present unable to trace it. If it exists we would now find the name in a form like Chulandur, a characteristic Chattisgarhi name, some similar ones which I remember being Machandur, Palandur, Kachandur, etc. It appears to me that another village granted by Mahâ-Sudêva in his Raipur charter was not very far away from Tundra. It is called Srisahika, which I take to be the present Sirsâhî, also included in the Balodâ Bazâr tahsîl, and situated about 25 miles south-west of Tandra. Maha-Jayaraja of the Arang plates, who belonged to the same dynasty, also seems to have granted a village in the same part of his kingdom, viz. Painva,2 which I identify with Pâmgarh, about 21 miles north of Tundra and included in the Janigir tahsîl of the Bilâspur district. Panivâ and Śrîsâhikâ are stated to be included in the Purrarishtra or Eastern country, and we know from the Khariar plates that to the south the kingdom extended at least up to Khariar. This leads to the inference that the territories of Mahâ-Sudêva included a large portion of Mahâ-Kêsala, or roughly speaking Chattîsgarh division.

TEXT.4

First Plate.

1 Óm
5 svasti []**] Sarabhapurâd=vikkram-ópanata-sémanta-makuṭa-chûdâmaṇi-prabhâ-pra-

2 såkåmbu-dhôta@pådayugalô ripu-vilasinî-sîmant-ôddharana-hêtur-vvasu-

3 vasudhâ-gô-pradah=paramabhâgavatô mâtâ-pitri7-pâd-ânuddhyâtaś-śrî-Mahâ-Sudē-

4 va-rājah Tundaraka-bhuktîya-Chullandarakê prativâsi-kutumbinas-sa-

- 5 mājňápayati [||*] Viditam=astu vô yath=úyam grámaḥ tridašapati-sudanasukha-
- 6 pratishthâkarð yavad-ravi-sasi-tara-kiraņa-pratihata-ghôrandhakaram ja-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 7 gad avatishthatð távad-upabhógyas-sanidhis-sópanidhir-achátabhataprávésya-
- 8 sarvya-kara-visarjjitah rajya-mahâdêvî-⁸rôjakulaih mâtâpitròr-atmanaiis⁹-cha pu-
- 9 ny-âbhivriddhayê udakapûrvvan 10Kôsika-sagôtra-trisahasravidya-Bhâskarasvâmi-
- 10 Prabhâkarasvâmi-Barbbarisvâmi-Bôtasvâmi-Dattasvâmi-Vishnusvâmi-
- 11 Phalgusvâmi-Svâmikîrttisvâmi-Sankarasvâminâ[m*] tâmbrasâsanên attisri-
- 12 shtô bhûtv=asmabhir=anumôditah [||*] Tô yûyam=êvam=upalabhy-aishâm âjîdásrava-

⁴ From the original plates.
⁵ Expressed by a symbol.

Gupta Inscriptions, p. 197. . Bid, p. 192.

² The adjunct gark seems to have been added when a mud fort, which still exists, was built there.

⁶ Read -dhauta-. [It is possible that the sign road as δ here and in kôtika, l. 9, should be read as au. The two matras are separated by an interval, which is not the case where δ is intended. This remark also applies to the other plates of this king.—S. K.]

⁷ Read -pitri-.

Reud =dimanafe.

Read -rajakulaih.
Read Kausika-.

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Second Plate ; Second Side.

- 13 na-vidhêyâ bhûtvâ yathôchitain bhôga-bhâgam=upanayantas=sukha $[ii^*]$ prativatsyatha $[||^*]$
- 14 Bhavishyataś-cha bhûmipân=anudarśayati || 1 Dânâd=visishṭam=anupâlanaja[mʰ] pu
- 15 rāṇāṇḥ³ dharmmêshu nischitadhiyaḥ=pravadanti dharmmam || (|) tasmā[d•] dvijāya suvi-
- 16 saddha-kula-srutâya dattâri bhuvari bhavatu vô matir=êva gôpturi (i Tad=bhavadbhi-
- 17 r-apy-cshâ dattir-annpâlayitavyâ []*] Vyâsa-gîtâmś-ch-âtra ślôkân-udâhara-
- 18 nti || ³Agnêr-apatyam prathamam suvarnpam (||) bhûr-vvaishnavî sûryyasuta⁴

TRANSLATION.5

On! Hail! From Sarabhapura. The illustrious Mahá-Sudôva Råja, whose two feet are washed by the water which is the flowing forth of the lustre from the crest jewels in the tiaras of the chiefs who have been subjugated by (his) prowess; who is the cause for the doing away with the parting of the hair of the women of his enomies; who is the giver of riches, of land and of cows; who is a devout worshipper of the Bhagavat; who meditates on the feet of his mother and father—issues a command to the householders living in Chullanderaka in the territorial sub-division (bhukti)⁶ of Tundaraka:—

Be it known to you that this village, the source (by this grant of it) of (our) ensuring the happiness of the abole of (Indra), the lord of the gods—which has been conveyed by a copper charter accompanied with (pouring) of water, by the Royal Consort⁷ and the Royal Family to Bhâskarasvâmi, who knows the three thousand⁸ (verses?) Prabhâkarasvâmi. Barbbarisvâmi, Bôṭasvâmi, Dattasvâmi, Vishņusvâmi, Phalgusvâmi, Svâmikirttisvâmi, (and) Śańkarasvâmi (all) of the Kauśika gôtra, to be enjoyed as long as the world endures, having the terrible darkness dispelled by the rays of the Sun, the Moon and the Stars, together with its treasures and deposits, not to be entered by the district officer¹⁰ and soldiers; (and), free

Metre Vasantatilaka.
Read purând.
8 Metre Indravajrâ.

[•] The remaining portion of the verse is: -s=cha gávah | daltás=trayas=têna bhavanti lóká yah káñchanain gáin cha mahtin cha dadyút ||.

^{*} I have freely adopted the language of other translators of similar inscriptions, especially of Drs. Konow and Fleet.

⁶ Bhukti was an old territorial division, the exact meaning of which has not yet been secretained. It occurs in other inscriptions (see Gupta Inscriptions, p. 218, note 5) and sometimes becomes permanently attached to names such as Jejabhukti, the ancient name of Bundelkhand, which was corrupted into Jajhauti in Al Bernni's times (see above Vol. 1., p. 218, and Sachau's Al Beruni's India, Vol. I., p. 202).

⁷ Mr. Venkayya suggests to take Rajyamahadavi as the name of the queen.

[&]quot;The original is tristhusra-vidya, which Dr. Rajendralal has taken to be a part of the proper name Bhaskarasvami, but I think it is an adjectival phrase collegising his learning which extended to the knowledge of three thousand of—what is not stated. Probably he knew three thousand stokas of some very important and difficult work, considered as a great achievement in those times.

[[]The proper form of the name is certainly Kirttisvámin, but the second part of the preceding name has been repeated by mistake. -S. K.]

On The word is child, usually translated 'irregular troops,' which translation I adopted in my Betal and Ragheli plates. Dr. Vogel, some time ago, kindly drew my attention to this point giving a more plausible explanation of the word. He wrote to me:—

On my first visit to the ancient Hill State of Chamba (Panjah) I learnt that the head of a pargana there has the title of châr, which is evidently derived from Sanskat châta. The châr collects the villagers who have to do work (forced labour) on behalf of the State; he arranges for load carriers and supplies in case the Rāja or some traveller visits his district. I have little doubt that the châta of the copper plates is the same as the châr of the Chamba State. In the Chamba copper plates published in the Annual Report of the Archaeological Survey (1902-03) I have ther fore rendered the word by 'district officer.' It was clearly a

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from all taxes,—has been sanctioned by us, for the increase of the religious merit of (our) parents and of ourself. Being aware of this you should be obedient to their commands, and should dwell in happiness rendering in proper manner (their) share of the enjoyment.

And he enjoins upon future kings.—The ancients whose minds are fixed upon religion say that the virtue that arises from the preservation (of a grant) is greater than (that which arises from making a grant); therefore your mind should verily incline to preserve land that has been given to a Brahman of very pure family, and hely learning. Therefore this gift should be preserved by you also.

And they cite on this point the verses that were sung by VyAsa:—Gold is the first offspring of fire; the earth belongs to the God Vishau and (cows are) the daughters of the sun; (therefore the three worlds are given by him who gives gold, and a cow and land).

No. 40.— PATIAKELLA GRANT OF MAHARAJA SIVARAJA [GUPTA] SAMVAT 283,

By R. D. BANERJI.

This inscription, which is edited here for the first time, was discovered several years ago by a peasant in a cornfield in the zamindârî of Paţiākellâ in the district of Cuttack in Orissa. It is the property of an Oriyâ Brâhman, who, I hear, regularly worships it. The Râja of Paţiâkellâ made it over to Bâbu Nagândra Nâtha Vasu, the Honorary Archæological Surveyor to the Mayûrbhañja Estate. Nagêndra Bâbu made it over to me some six or seven months ago for decipherment.

The inscription is engraved on a single plate of copper, measuring $7\frac{1}{4}''$ by $2\frac{3}{4}''$. To the left here is an oval projection, $1\frac{1}{2}''$ long, to which a lump of brass or bell metal is attached. On the top of this lump there is an oval cavity, showing traces of the seal. But no letters or symbols are discernible at present. Both sides of the plate are inscribed. Altogether there are eighteen lines of writing in this grant. The writing was fairly well executed, but its preservation is not very good. One corner of the plate is missing and has carried away portions of the dates with it. Fortunately the date can be made out correctly from the portions still remaining. In this grant the date was given twice. First of all we read in the second line tryadhik-isittyntura. . . . and secondly at the end of the eighteenth line Samvat 200 . . Thus tens and hundreds are all fairly certain. I am indebted to Dr. Konow for the reading of the symbol for two hundred.

The characters belong to the northern class of alphabets and are in every respect similar to those of the Mundésvari inscription of Uduyasêna, from the Shâhâbâd district. The Mundésvari inscription is dated in the [Harsha] year 30 (635 A.D.).² The peculiarities of the characters of our grant are as follows:—

(a) Among the ligatures the only noticeable feature is to be found in the â mark, which is expressed in two different ways while attached to the same letter na. Cf.

Privilege of importance that the head of the district was not allowed to interfere with the granted land; in other words, he was not allowed to collect labourers or to deman I supplies, e.e., on behalf of the State."

¹ These words which must have been engraved in the third plate have been supplied to make sense.

² The Mundesvari inscription has been found in two pieces. The second portion was presented to the Indian Museum so far back as 1891. The first portion containing the date was found among the débris around the temple and sent to the Indian Museum in 1904. For the Mundesvari temple, see List of Ancient Monuments in Bengal (1895), p. 3.0. Dr. Bioch has referred to this inscription twice. See Annual Report of the Archwological Survey, Bengal Circle, 1902-03, p. 20, and Annual Report of the Archwological Survey of India, 1902-03, pp. 42-13. The inscription will be published below, pp. 289 and f.

- punyābhivriddhayā in 1.8 with vrihadbhôgikādhikarandny=ēva, 1.7. The d mark is unusual in -pārvvakēn=ā- in 1.9.
- (b) It is interesting to note that this Cuttack grant shows a greater affinity to the Mundêsvarî inscription than does the Gañjâm grant of Śaśânka, while the latter shows a marked affinity to the Bôdh Gayâ inscription of Mahânâman of the Gupta year 269.2 Thus the ya in the Bôdh Gayâ inscription and the Gañjâm plate is bipartite, while in the Mun ***Savari inscription and the present grant it is of the usual early Gupta type, i.e. tripartite. Similarly the lingual sha in our grant and the Mundêsvarî inscription shows a cursive base line unlike the acute angle type of the Bôdh Gayâ and Gañjâm inscriptions. This form of sha is also to be found in the Nepal inscription of the year 316.3
- (c) The presence of the acute angle is noticeable only in the dental sa and ma, as is also the case in the Mundesvari inscription. But some letters show a well-defined acute angle at their lower extremities in alternative cases; cf. the dha in -haridhigama- (1.5) with that in -didhiti- in 1.3, and vrihadbhôgikādhikaraniny- in 1.7.
- (d) The characters of our grant differ from those of the Mundésvarî inscription in so far as the lingual na in the latter is exactly similar to the na of the early Gupta type, while the na in our grant has larger space between the right and left curves.
- (e) The characters of this grant show a greater affinity to the Gölmädhitöl inscription of the Cupta year 316 than to the contemporary Nepal inscriptions. The paleography of the epoch beginning with the last half of the 6th and ending with the first half of the 7th century A.D. can nowhere be studied with greater advantage than in Nepal. The inscriptions of the Harsha year 34, the Gupta year 316, the Harsha years 39 and 45 show very clearly the change which came over later Gupta characters in the last half of the 6th century and the 50 years following that. Thus the Gölmädhitöl inscription of the year 316 shows in its characters very little departure from those of the Mandasôr inscription of Yaśödharman. The Patan inscription of the year 345 exhibits a further step enwards, as it is more allied to the Gañjam grant of Śaśāńka than our grant or the Gölmädhitöl inscription. The next inscription, that of the Harsha year 396 and the short record of the year 45 of the same era, are inscribed in characters which are very much akin to the Bödh Gayâ inscription of Mahânâman and the Madhuban and Banskhêra grants of Harshayardhana.
- (f) The letters da and ta resemble each other very closely. Thus, vrihadbhôgikādhi-karanāny-, 1. 7, looks like vrihatbhôgikādhikaranāny=.
- (g) There is little difference between va and cha. Thus, -chala-taranga-, l. 1, looks like -vala-taranga-, while Sivarajah, 1. 5, looks like Sicharajah.

As regards orthography two or three departures are noticeable, such as -maingura-, 1, 1, -vansa- and -assitty-, 1, 2, géhattó, 1, 8.

The object of the inscription is to record a grant made by a feudatory chief named Sivarāja to a number of Brāhmans during the reign of his suzerain Sagguyayyana of southern Tôsali. Sagguyayyana is styled Paramamāhēšvara-Paramabhattāraka-Paramadēvatādhidaivata, which clearly shows his imporial position. The title of the suzerain and the name of the

¹ Above, Vol. VI., p. 143.

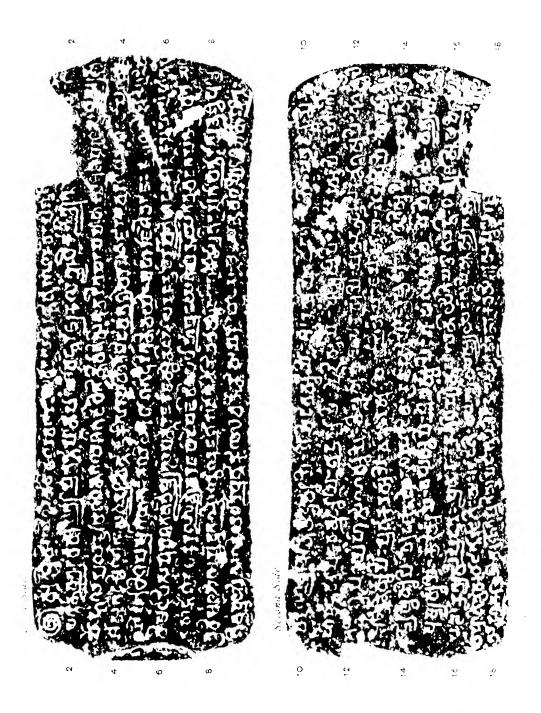
² Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 274, pl. XLIA.

Bendall's Journey to Nepal, p. 72, pl. VIII.

^{*} Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 150, pl. XXII.

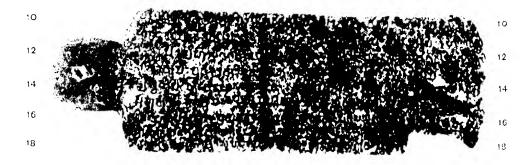
^{*} Ind. Ant. Vol. IX., p. 169, and Bendall's Journey to Nepal, p. 74.

Ind. Ant. Vol. IX., p. 170, and Bendall's Journey to Nepal, p. 77, pl. X.



Patrakella Plate of Sivaraja.—[Gupta] Samvat [283].





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donor points to Śaivism, but the names of several doness such as Vishnusvâmi, Rêvatisvâmi, Gopâlasvâmi, etc., show a Vaishnava taint. The document was issued from Vôrttanôka, which was the Imperial capital (1.4) as well as the residence of the feudatory chief (1.8). The grant consisted in the village Tandralvalu. It was given to several Brâhmans belonging to separate gôtras and charanas. The date has already been discussed. There can be little doubt about the fact that it is a Gupta year. Thus our grant was incised after the Bodh Guyâ inscription and before the Gaŭjâm grant, the Nepul inscription of the year 316, and the Mundêśvarî inscription. The second line mentions the kings of the Māṇa race, Maṇavańśarijyakilā. This dynasty has been montioned in two 12th century inscriptions only, viz. the Nawâdâ inscription of the Śaka year 1059, which has been recently purchased by the Archeeological Survey and brought to the Indian Museum, and in the Dudhpaui rock inscription.

I am afraid it is beyond my power to identify the geographical position of the village mentioned in the Paṭiākellā grant. Neither the vishaya nor the bhukti or the mandala has been mentioned in the grant, but in lines 5-6, we find asminnesiva vishaya, which probably indicates that the name of the vishaya was also Vôrttanôka. I now edit the inscription from the original plate:—4

TEXT.

First Side.

- 1 Om⁵ svasti [[*] salila-nidhi-vêlâ-vala[yita-cha]la-tarang-abharana-ruchira-maingura
- 2 pattanavatyā[in] vasumatyā[in] pravarttumāna-Māṇa-vansa-rājya-kālē tryadhik-āsittyntia[ra] . . .
- 3 Maudgal-âmala-kulô gagana-tala-śitadidhiti-nivâtô sita-charitê Paramamâliêsvaraśri-Śagguyayyanô⁶
- 4 68sati dakshina-Tôsalyā[m] Vôrttanôkāt-paramadðvat-ādhidaivata-sri-paramabhattāraka-oharaya-kamal-āmala-kshau-
- 5 ni⁷-hâr-âdhigama-pratihata(ḥ)-kaliyug-âgata-durita-nichayaḥ(yô) mahàrâja-Sivarâjaḥ kuśalî asminu-êva
- 6 vishayê samupagat-âbhavishyat-sâmanta-râja-râjasthânîy-ôparika-kumârâmâtyatadâyuktaka-mahâmahattara-
- 7 vrihadbhôgikâdhikaraṇâny-ôva râjapâdôpajîvî yathârha[iii] śrâvayati mânayati cha viditamea[stu] bhayatâni ya[th=A]-
- 8 ttra vishayê sambaddha-Tandralvalu⁸-grâma (mê) Vêrttanêk-⁹[âvavâsa-gê(?)]hattê=smâbhih mîtâpittrêr=âtmanaś=cha puny-â-
- 9 bhivriddhayô salila-dhâvâ-pûrvvakên achandr-ârka-sama-kâliy ûkshayanivi(nîvî)-dharmmêna¹⁰ nânâ-gôttra-

¹ Above, Vol. II., p. 838. ² Above, Vol. II., p. 346.

² [The locality cannot be far from Tosalf, which we know from Asoku's Dhauli edicts, and which must be located in the neighbourhood of Dhauli. It seems more likely to explain asminn=eva vishays as Tosalf-vishays than as Vorttanokavishays.—S. K.]

^{*[}It has proved impossible to get good impressions of the plate. The subjoined reproductions are the best that could be obtained.—S. K.]

⁵ Expressed by a symbol.

^{° [}I am unable to see Sagguyayyane, but I cannot suggest a satisfactory reading; I think I see Sambhaya1y6-nu-.-S. K.]

⁷ [I read -dmala-trêni-.-8. K.]
⁸ [I see Tundilvaluja-grdma.-8. K.]

I read Vorttanoke ch-dedea . . . but cannot make out the rest .- S. K.]

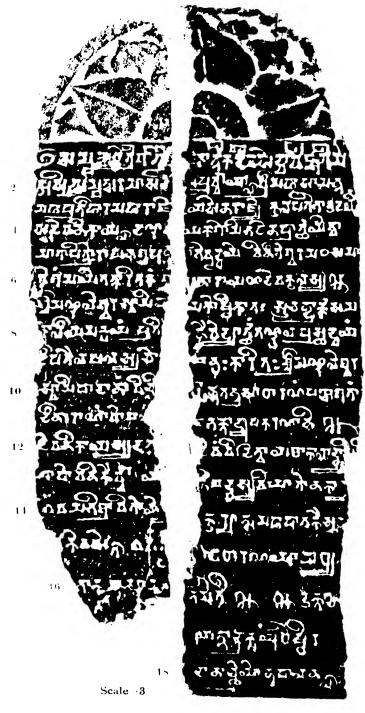
¹⁰ Read -kalam-akshaya-. Compare above, Vol. VI., p. 139; Vol. VII., p. 101, note 1.

Second Side.

- 10 charayébhya Anuruddhasvámi-Gômidévasvámi-Śûrasvámi-Vôppasvámi-Pitrisvámi-
- 11 Haruńgasvâmi-Chandrasvâmi-Bhadrasvâmi-Chhêdisvâmi-Pushyasvâmi-, .karasvâmi-Rôhiŋi-svâmi-
- 12 Vu(Bu)ddhasvâmi-Mahâsônasvâmi-Vishnusvâmi-Yadusvâmi-Mâtradasvâmi-Nâgasvâmi-Bhôgasvâmi-
- 13 Ana[nta P̄]svāmi-Prabhākarasvāmi-Nāva . .rasvāmi-Dipisvāmi-Jam[vu]svāmi-Gômisvāmi-Valasvāmi-
- 14 Jyêshthasvâmi-Adarsanadêva-Dhanadêva-Kumârasvâmi-Jyêshthasvâmi-Rêvatis vâmi-Prâya(?)svâmi-
- 15 Pushyasvâmi-Chhêdisvâmi-Vappasvâmi-Śravasvâmi-Gôpâlasvâmi-Gômisvâmi ê b h y a s fâmra-
- 16 -paļtî-kritya sampradattaḥ [[*] Pûrvvaiājakritô dharmm[ô]=nupālanîyaiti(ya iti)
 matvā bhavadbhiḥ[i*] Dharmmaśāstrêshv=api śruyatê [i*]
- 17 Vn(ba)hubhir=vvasudhâ dattâ râjabhih Sagarâdibhih [|*] yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis=tasya tasya [tadâ phalam] [||*] [Shashtiii] varsha-
- 18 sahasrâni svarggê tishthati bhûmidah [[*] âkshêptâ ch=ânumantâ cha tâny= êya narakê vasêt [[|*] Samvat¹ 200

TRANSLATION.

In the [two hundred] and eighty-third year of the rule of the Mana family on the earth, full of cities, which has the shores of the ocean as its bracelet, the moving waves as its trinkets and the radiant manyura fishes as its . . . In the spotless family of Mudgala, when the great worshipper of Mahésvara (Śiva), the illustrious Sagguyayyana, whose character was white and who was undisturbed like the moon in the sky, was ruling in southern Tosali, Maharija Sivaraja, whom the accumulation of sins could not approach on account of his obtaining from the lotus-like feet of the Paramabhattaraka, the God of Gods, the spotless position of a ruler of the earth, being in good health, from Vôrttanôka honors all present and future feudatory chiefs, Reijastheiniyas, Uparikas, officers of the heir-apparent, Taddyuktakas, great nobles, tax-collectors and other dependants of the king in this vishaya in due form and proclaims:- "Be it known to you that the village Tandralvalu, belonging to this vishaya, from (the residential house at?) Vorttanôka, for the increase of the merit of my father and mother and myself, after having poured out water, to last as long as the Sun and the Moon subsists, everlastingly, as a permanent endowment, is given by writing on copper plates to Anuruddhasvâmi, Veppasvâmi, Pitrisvâmi, Harungasvâmi, Chandrasvâmi, Sûrasvâmi, Gómidêvasvâmi, Bhadrasyâmi, Chhêdisvâmi, Pushyasvâmi, ..karasyâmi, Rôhipîsvâmi, Vu(Bu)ddhasyâmi, Mahasênasyami, Vishpusyâmi, Yadusyâmi, Mâtradasyâmi, Nâgasyâmi, Bhôgasyâmi, Ana(nta)svâmi, Prabhâkarasvâmi, Nâvarasvâmi, Dîpisvâmi, Jam(vu)svâmi, Gômisvâmi, Valasvâmi, Adarsanadêva, Dhanadêva, Kumârasvâmi, Jyêshthasvâmi, Rêvatisvâmi, Jyêshthasvâmi, Prâyasvâmi, Pushyasvâmi, Chhêdisvâmi, Vappasvâmi, Śravasvâmi, Gôpâlasvâmi, Gômisvâmi. belonging to various gotras and charanas. A law laid down by former kings should be observed, thinking so (you should observe my gitt). It is heard in the laws (two of the ordinary benedictory verses follow). Samvat 200.



Collotype by Gehr Plettner.

No. 41.— MUNDESVARI INSCRIPTION OF UDAYASENA. THE [HARSHA] YEAR 30.

Br R. D. BANERJI.

This inscription was discovered among the debris which had accumulated around the temple of Mundeśvarî in the Bhâbuâ subdivision of the Shâhâbâd district.\footnut 1 to seems that sometime after the incision of the inscription some ignorant person sawed it lengthwise in halves. The two halves of the inscription were discovered and brought to the Indian Museum at different dates. The second half seems to have been discovered by the late Babu Purna Chandra Mukhârji so far back as 1891-92. The first half, which is the more important part of the inscription, as it contains the date, was discovered in 1902.\footnut 2 Impressions on tin foils were then sent to Dr. Bloch. The inscription was finally brought to the Indian Museum in the beginning of 1904. The two halves have now been joined together and placed on a masonry pedestal in the Inscription gallery of the Museum.

The stone measures 2'8" by 1'1" and contains eighteen lines of well-executed writing. In the first half of the inscription the first different lines are clear, but the sixteenth line has been much damaged and the seventeenth and eighteenth lines have been lost altogether. With the exception of the last two lines, which contain one of the usual imprecatory verses, the whole of the inscription is in prose.

In a previous paper I have fully discussed the paleography of this inscription.³ The only orthographical peculiarities are the substitution of ba for va in sambatsara, and the use of ba instead of ba before ba. Letters with a superscribed repha have been doubled. Final forms of ba are to be found in Il. 2, 4 and 18, and of ba in I. 15. The sign of avagraba has not been used at all, though it would have been in its place in Il. 14 and 18. Note also the form ba ba ba in Il. 6.

The inscription records a grant of two prasthas of rice and a pala of oil to the god Mandal-twara by a kulapatit named Bhagudalana. It is dated in the year 30 in the reign of the Mahdsdmanta, Mahdpratitdra, Mahdrdja Udayasena, who is not known from other sources. Judging from the affinity of the characters of this inscription with those of the years 34 and 39 from Nepal, the era is most probably that established by Harshavardhana. The mutilation of the central portion of the inscription by sawing the stone into two halves has caused a series of gaps. Some of those can be filled up, but lines 11 and 15 are quite unintelligible. I now edit the inscription from the original stone.

TEXT.

- 1 0m6 Samba(mva)tsarê trinsati[tamê] Kûrttika-divasê dvavinsatimê
- 2 asmin=samba(mva)tsara-masa-[diva]sa-pûrvvayam srî-Mahasamanta-
- 3 Mahâpratîhâra-Mahârâj-[Ôda]yasêna-râjyê kulapati-Bhâgudalana-7
- 4 8-sa dêvanikâyam danda[nâ]yaka-Gômibhatêna prârtthayitvâ
- 5 matapittror-atmanas-cha pu[nya]bhivriddhayo Vinitesvara-mathasama-
- 6 vêsam matham=ôtat=karitakam [śrî-]Narayana-dôvakulasya

¹ List of Ancient Monuments in Bengal (published by the Public Works Department, 1895) pp. 370--371 Annual Report of the Archwological Survey of India (1902-03), pp. 42-43.

Annual Report of the Archaelogical Survey, Bengal Circle, 1902, p. 20.

See above, p. 285 f.

A teacher who maintains ten thousand pupils at his own cost is termed a kulapati. See Vachaspatyd-bhidhdnam.

Bendall's Journey to Nepal, pp. 72-73. Expressed by a symbol.

The final na of this word has been added above the line.

7	śrî-Maṇḍalĉśvara-svâmi-[pādā]ya koshthikātaḥ ā-chandr-ārkka-sama-
8	kâlîyam-akshayam prati[dinam] naivêdyârttham tandula-prastha-dvayam
9	dîpa-taila-palasya ch=ô[pani]bandhah kâritah śrî-Mandalôśvara-
10	svâmi-pâdânâm vichchhi[tti-vi]śrânta-tantra-sâdhâranam pañchâśatâm
11	dînârânâm gôba ja-bhaktâdy-upakaranânil
12	dêvanikâyasya datta[m²=êtad=ê]vam viditvâ yathâkâl-âdhyâ[sibhi]-
13	r-apôvanikair3=vva ya[thani]baddhasya vighatô na ka[rya]
1.4	ôvam-abhisrâvitô yô[=nyathâ]kuryât-sa mahâpâtakais-sa[ha]
15	[nara]kê vasêt êvam vadhâraṇayâ madhya
16	bhâka tam-iti Ukta[ñ= cha]
17	yatnåd=raksha Yndhishthira
18	dûnûch=ohhrêyô=nupûlanam.

TRANSLATION.

No. 42.—INSCRIPTION ON THE UMBRELLA STAFF OF THE BUIDHIST IMAGE FROM SAHET MAHET.

Ву Т. Вьоси, Рн. D.

The stone bearing this inscription was discovered by Råkhal Dås Banerjî in April, 1908, in the Lucknow Museum. As Dr. Vogel tells me, it is a red sandstone slab, 3' 1' high, 11' wide, and 4\frac{3}'' thick. "It is broken off at the top, just where the octagonal portion begins. Here the four corners are provided with an ornament in the Mathura style. The lower portion of the slab is carved with a seated female figure, apparently unfinished. The back of the column is cut off straight." The photograph of the stone, supplied to me by Dr. Vogel, shows that this carving has been done at a later time, perhaps when the stone was intended to be used for some building. It has destroyed a good many letters in the second half of the inscription while the first half has become almost entirely obliterated by sharpening knives on it.

However, enough remains to make it absolutely clear that the inscription was identical with the dedicatory epigraph on the pedicatal of the large standing Bodhisattva from Sahet

¹ The sign at the end of this line has been added in order to fill up the vacant space.

I would read dattany=Blad.-S. K.]

³ [1 read tapóvanikair=.—S. K.]
⁴ [1 would translate: those who come and worship from time to time or the accetics of the tapóvana,—S. K.]









From a photograph.

Colletype by Gebr. Plettin '

Mahêt, which has been edited by me, above, Vol. VIII. pp. 180-181. This fact is of considerable interest. First it shows that I was right in explaining the word dandasecha in line 2 of the Sahêt Mahêt image inscription as "a staff for supporting the umbrella over the head of the Bôdhisattva" (l. c. p. 180). Secondly, - and this is by far the most important point connected with this inscription,- we now know for certain that the Sahêt Mahêt statue was found by Cunningham in situ, or, in other words, that no possible doubt can be raised against the correctness of Cunningham's identification of Sahêt Mahêt with Śrâvastî. 1 For although the records of the Lucknew Museum are not as clear as one would have expected them to be in regard to the provenance of the stone, Dr. Vogel has pointed out to me some very conclusive evidence, which in my opinion makes it certain that the stone was found by Dr. Hoey during his excavations at Sahêt Mahêt in 1885. The only possible doubt that could be, and has been, raised against the bearing of the Sahêt Mahêt, now Calcutta Museum, statue upon the question of the identity of Sahêt Mahêt with Srâvastî, turned around this point: did Cunningham find the Bodhisattva image at Sahêt Mahêt in its original position, or had it been shifted to this place from somewhere else? Strange though such a transportation would appear to us primit facie, it still has been, as far as I know, an assumption that seemed to recommend itself to certain scholars. I am afraid their position has now become definitely weakened by the discoveries above referred to.

Unfortunately no further help is given to us by the new inscription for restoring the missing words in the beginning of the inscription on the pedestal of the Bödhisattva statue in the Calcutta Museum. Only the two letters vapn in the beginning of line 2 show that I was right in restoring the second word in the Calcutta inscription as ddvaputrasya, and further in ascribing the Calcutta statue to the time of either Kanishka or Huvishka. However, this is a very small matter, for which hardly any additional proof was required owing to the occurrence of the name of the Trépitaka Bala, the denor of the Calcutta image, in a Mathurâ inscription of the year 33 of Huvishka.

I now edit the inscription from impressions and a photograph, kindly supplied to me by Dr. Vogel.

TEXT.

1.	[dô]
2.	vapu[trasya]
	[v]ihâr[i]-
	[sya][bhikshu]-
5.	sya [Balasya trôpita]kasya
	dânam Bôdhi[sa]tvô chh[a]tram³ dandas-cha
	Śâvastiyê [Bhagavatê cham]ka[m]ê Kêsamba-
8.	[kuṭiyð âchā]r[yy]â[nam Sarvvå]s[t]ivâdina[m]
9.	[pa]r[i]gra[h0].

No. 43.— TWO BUDDHIST INSCRIPTIONS FROM SARNATH.

BY STEN KONOW.

During the excavations in Sarnath in February 1907, I found a fragment of a stone umbrella lying between the bases of two small brick stûpas to the west of the main shrine exca-

¹ Dr. Vogel informs me that Pandit Dayâ Râm Sahni has discovered additional proof, that even in the days of Gövindachandra of Kanauj, the traditional identity of the two places was still alive. See Journ. R. As. Soc. 1908, pp. 971 and ff.

² See above, Vol. VIII., p. 182.

It is doubtful, if the word was written chhâtran, as in the inscription on the pedestal. However, the next word clearly is dandas-cha, and not dândas-cha, as it is spelt on the pedestal of the statue.

vated by Mr. Oertel in 1905. On the inner cavity of the fragment a Brâhmî inscription was engraved in four lines, the fourth running along the rim. The inscription, which is complete, covers the whole inner surface of the fragment, and the umbrella had therefore probably been broken when it was engraved.

The fragment is $17\frac{3}{4}$ long and $5\frac{1}{2}$ broad, and the umbrella to which it belongs must have had a diameter of nearly six feet. The letters are deeply cut, and their height varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inches.

The characters are Brâhmî of the second or third century A.D. The forms of ma and sa are ancient, and the same is the case with ya. The shape of individual letters is not, however, constant. Thus the na of imini, 1. 1, differs from the na in gâmini, 1. 4; the du in dukkha in lines 2, 3 and 4 has different shapes; the dha of nirôdhô, 1. 3, is angular, while it has been rounded in 1. 4, etc. The form of the compound kkha is of some interest, the kha being open at the bottom. In bhikkharê, 1. 1, however, the bottom line has apparently been added by mistake under the following vé. The two kkhas in 1. 2 differ from each other, and, on the whole, the form of this ligature is not the same in any two places.

The language is the Pâli of Buddhist literature, but with several misspellings, and other mistakes. Thus in 1. 2, we find dikkhavd instead of bhikkhavd, and arâyasachcham, l. 3 ariyayachcham, and in 1. 4 arisachcham, all instead of ariyasachcham. These slips, taken together with the uncertainty in the formation of the individual letters, can only be accounted for by the supposition that the inscription was cut by an engraver who did not understand the orginal. The occasional introduction of the Sanskrit samdhi in -samudaya ariyaya(sa)chcham, 1. 3, points in the same direction.

The inscription contains a short enumeration of the four ariyasachehas, the fundamental doctrines of the Buddhas. These four truths form the essence of the famous Benares sermon, and our inscription is accordingly very appropriate in the spot where the Buddha first "turned the wheel of the law." In this connection it is of interest to note that the great majority of the statues uncarthed in Sărnâth represent the Buddha in the Dharmachakramudra, delivering his first sermon. The enumeration of the four noble truths or axioms is of the same conventional kind which is so common in Pâli literature, and though I have not found the exact quotation, I do not doubt that the passage cut on the stone is meant as a quotation from the Canon. Our inscription, therefore, furnishes a valuable epigraphical proof for the existence of a Pâli Canon in the second or third century A.D. It is also of interest as the first old Pâli inscription found in North India. I here take the word Pâli to mean the language of the Southern Canon, the only use of the word which I consider as justified.

TEXT.

- 1 Chatt[â]r=imâni bhikkhavê ar[i*]yasachchâni
- 2 katamâni chhattâri dukkha[m] di(bhi)kkhavê arâ(ri)yasachcha[m]
- 3 dukkhasamudaya² ariyaya(sa)chcham dukkhanirôdhô³ ariyasachcham
- 4 dukkhanirddha-gaminî chat patipada ari[ya*]sachcham

TRANSLATION.

Four, ye monks, are the noble axioms. And which are these four? The axiom (about) suffering, ye monks; the axiom (about) the cause of suffering; the axiom (about) the path leading to suppression of suffering.

¹ From the original stone.

[&]quot; The stone perhaps has -nirodha.

² Read -samudayó.

^{*} The actual reading seems to be chcha.

Sarnath stone umbrella inscription.



Sten Konow.

Collotype by Gebr. Plettner.



Scale -6

Another inscription written in Pali was discovered during the excavations carried on by Mr. Marshall and myself in the winter of 1908, on the back of a slab containing conventional representations of scenes of the Buddha's life. I publish it here from impressions prepared in my office. The writing covers a space of $12^{n} \times 9^{n}$, and the height of the individual letters is $\frac{1}{4}^{n}-1^{n}$.

The characters belong to the 4th, or, perhaps, the 3rd century A.D. The tripartite ya is almost identical with the ya of the Allahabad prasasti, while the sa has the older form with a hook, and not with a loop. The date of the inscription is of interest for the history of Buddhist iconography.

The language is mixed Pali, the forms -prabhavit in line 1, and -śramani, 1. 6, not belonging to the dialect. The inscription contains the common formula yo dhamma, etc.

TEXT.

- Yê dhammâ hêtu-prabhavâ
- 2 têsari hêtum tathâga-
- 3 tó avôcha têsain cha
- 4 vô nirôdho ê-
- 5 vam vâdî mahâ-
- 6 śramanô.

No. 44.—SPURIOUS LAPHA PLATE OF THE HAIHAYA KING PRITHVIDEVA. SAMVAT 806.

BY HIRA LAL, B.A., NAGPUR.

At the request of Mr. C. U. Wills, I.C.S., Zamîndârî Settlement Officer, Bilâspur District, I have examined a copper plate in the possession of a Zamîndar at Lâphâ, named Dahiraj Singh, who is over sixty years of age and whom I had the pleasure to meet. He was good enough to lend it to me for taking an impression to accompany this note. He informed me that the plate was given to one of his ancestors, who first came from Delhi and took service at Ratanpur as one of the gate-keepers of the Ratanpur Fort and also as a guard of the Râni's palace. He used to live in the Bhêdimûdâpârâ, one of the quarters of Rataupur town. This portion of the town was eventually given to him as a milifi, and afterwards the present copper plate grant is said to have been given bestowing on him 120 villages belonging to the Lapha Fort. The present Zamîndârî contains only 75 villages and the Zamîndâr informed me that before Mr. Chisholm's settlement in the year 1868, there were only 60 villages in it.

The plate is rectangular, measuring $9_4^{1n} \times 4_8^{5n}$, having a smooth surface, inscribed on one side only. There are two small holes on the top. The writing covers $7\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 3\frac{1}{2}$ ", leaving out the Sri at the top.

The record consists of 8 lines surmounted by a prefatory one, the middle portion of which is spaced down, apparently for ornamental purposes. This line and the word sri at the top together with srt 5 at the commencement and subham=astu and the date in figures at the end are in prose. The rest is in verse, consisting of 5 anushtubh stokas which are numbered, except the ast. There are altogether 206 letters including 9 figures.

The style of writing is Oriya, and there are not less than 25 letters which are distinctly borrowed from the alphabet of that language. All the matras or vowel signs have been marked according to what is in vogue in the present Oriyâ writing. The letters ja, da and va have been invariably written in the Oriya form. The language is Sanskrit with spelling mistakes. Thus in verse 2 we find sûrasûmanta- instead of sûrasûmanta-.

The inscription purports to record the gift of 120 villages appertaining to the Lampha (Lapha) fort to a noble named Lunga, who had come from Delhi, by the Haihaya king Prithyldeva, on the 1st day of the dark fortnight of Magha in Samvat 806. For what services the gift was made and on what conditions, is not stated, but it was to be hereditary and it was given because the king's "mind was pleased with the Kauraviya" which apparently means that he was pleased with the Kawar tribe, to which the donee belonged, presumably for their military services. What strikes one most at the first glance is the freshness of the metal, the clean cut and the modern characters, and this rouses suspicion. The intermixture of Oriva letters is in itself suspicious. They might, however, be old and indicate that the plate is an old one. On looking for the date such an idea gots partially confirmed, but the suspicion again revives as soon as we learn from the Zamîndâr that, since the grant was made, only 27 gene. rations have supervened. The Zamindar thinks the date to be of the Vikrama era, so that the plate would be about 1,159 years old. This would give, on the average, 43 years to a generation, which is absurd. A critical examination of the record affords as easy an evidence of its being spurious. The characters are in reality all modern, having been taken from the Hindi and Orivâ alphabets. The inscriptional alphabet of the Chhattisgarh Haihayas has a peculiarity of its own, not easily describable, but which distinguishes it from the modern alphabet. The most distinctive letters are cha, ja, dha, bha and sa, but in all instances where these letters occur in the present plate, they have no such distinctive features. The style of the record is also modern. I have not come across any Haihaya inscription with a srî at the top, which modern writers usually put in. Again the word sri Krishnuchandra, which is apparently meant as an invocation, is a modernism, similar phrases being śri-Râma, śri-Ganôśa, etc. In all Haihaya inscriptions, the invocation is Om namal. Sivaya, i.e. I bow down to Siva. The forgor, who, I believe, had seen many of the Haihaya inscriptions, forgot the distinctive Haihaya invocation owing to the story of Śrî-Krishna being uppermost in his mind, and he thought that as Krishna was so well pleased with Mayûradh vaja, the supposed ancestor of the Haihayas, an invocation to that deity would be most appropriate. The next phrase, calling the record vijaya-lékha or the victorious writ, meaning royal record, is another novelty of the Oriya type, in which, as in Dravidian languages, the addition of rijaya or victory to every act done by a high personage is a matter of etiquette. A Raja does not go, he conquers vijaya karachhanti, he does not cat, he conquers the kitchen, he does not answer the call of nature, he conquers the latrine, and so on. I have not come across any other grant being distinguished as vijaya-lêkha. The next phrase refers to a seal, which is nowhere to be found. The prefatory phrases done, the record proper again begins with a modernism, viz. sri 5. This reminds one of a Hindi letter-writer which was used in schools, some years ago, in which there was a couplet to the effect that 6 sris should be recorded for a preceptor, 5 for a master, 4 for an enemy, 3 for a friend, 2 for a servant, and I for a wife or son. This must have occurred to the writer's mind, more particularly because he was, as I suppose, a school-master himself and was probably teaching the Pattrahitaishini to his pupils.

Now with regard to the date, the Vikrama year 806 or 749 A.D. is impossible. It goes back to a period when probably the Haihayas had not at all come to Chhattisgarh. From inscriptions we have a date 1114 of Jājalladêva² I. who was fifth in descent from Kalingarāja, the first Haihaya, who is said to have conquered Dakshinakôsala. Taking then the date of Kalingarāja to be 1000 A.D., the present grant would have been made by the Haihayas 250 years before they began to rule in Chhattisgarh. Even if we suppose that it refers to the Kalachuri era, it would be equivalent to 1054 A.D., i.e. almost contemporaneous with the commencement of Haihaya rule. Prithvîrājā was fourth in descent from Kalingarāja and was the father of Jājallaučva I. The date of this plate would place a difference of 60 years between

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father and son, if we suppose that both records were written in the first year of their reigns. This is again improbable. These kings moreover had not then gone to Ratanpur.

On the whole, I come to the conclusion for reasons stated above that this grant to Lunga is a lunga affair and was perpetrated somewhere between 1860 and 1870 by a Sanskritist of Ratanpur, whom I do not desire to name out of respect for his Sanskrit learning. I suppose chill penury induced him to undertake a work which he would not have otherwise done. The record does not show any adequate cause for the grant being made, and it is noteworthy that exactly double the number of villages of those which the Zamindari contained before Mr. Chisholm's settlement were recorded as granted by the Haihaya Raja. It may be noted that when this record was written the change of the tribal name of the donce or his descendants from Kawar to Tawar had not been mooted or at least had not been seriously taken up, otherwise we should not have had the phrase Kauraviya-prasannadhih in verse 3. There is a family genealogy of the Lapha Zamindar, written in the year 1927 or 1870 A.D., which shows that the tribal name had then been changed to Tawar.

TEXT.2

Śri.

Śrî Krishpachandra

vijayalêkhâ

śri-lekhaka-mudra chaturasra.

- 1 Šrî 5 || Svasti śrîmau-mahârâjâdhirâjah kshiti-nvêkarâț³ || (|) Prithvîdêvô ma-2 hôddarśi-maulyudbhâsi-padâmvu(bu)jaḥ || 1 || Haihayâmnarâja⁴-savitâ sûra-sâmanta-¹
- 3 sôvitah ||(1) mahôdhlata-bhatâkîrna-sainyô vairiganaprahâ || 2 || Dily-âgata-
- 4 susûrûya⁶ Lung-âkhyâya mahâtmanê ||(|) dadê vritim⁷ vansaparâm Kauravîya-prasanna-
- 5 dhîh || 3 || Lampha-durgam=ayi(pi) grâma-vimsôttarasatônmitâm ||(|) samvatsure
- 6 ras-abhr-asht-atité Magh-asit-adiké || 4 || yê bhavishyamti bhûpálah pa-
- 7 lanîya sad-êti taih | | (|) maddatta likhita tamra-patrê Madbavasûri-
- S nå || Subham=astus || Måghê vadi || 1 || Sammansare 806.

TRANSLATION.

Srî.

The illustrious Krishnachandra.

The Victorions writ.

The illustrious writer's regular seal.

Śri 5. Hail.

- (Vorse 1.) The illustrious Maharajadhiraja Prithvidéva, the king of many countries (is) very intelligent. (His) lotus feet are shining with the diadems (of kings prostrating before him).
- (V. 2.) (He is as it were) the sun amongst the descendants of the Huhayas and is served by his brave feudatories. His army is full of very extraordinary soldiers. He is the destroyer of his enemies.

¹ The word in Hindi means " mischievous."

Read kehity-anekardt.

Read sara-samanta-.

Read writtim. Read -astu.

² From the original plate.

^{*} Read Haihayambhoja.

Bead susuráya.

Bead Samuatears.

(V. 3-4.) His mind being pleased with the Kauravîyas¹ (Kawars) he gave to the very brave noble named Lunga, who had come from Delhi, 120 villages with the Lampha fort, for maintenance from generation to generation, on the first day of the dark fortnight of the Mågha month in the expired year (symbolically expressed by) flavour (6) sky (0) and eight (8).

Future kings should always respect my gift written on the copper plate by Mådhava $S\hat{u}_{ri}$. Let good fortune attend. The first day of the dark fortnight of Mågha in the year 806.

No. 45.— ABHONA PLATES OF SANKARAGANA. KALACHURI SAMVAT 347.

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These two plates belong to a Rajput family residing at $\hat{A}bh\hat{o}na$, a village in the Kalavana tâluka of the Nâsik district. I obtained them on loan through my friend Mr. N. C. Kelkar. They are inscribed on one side only, and measure $9\frac{n}{4}" \times 7"$. The writing is carefully engraved and is in a good state of preservation.

The characters belong to a variety of the southern alphabet which is well-known from the Sarsavni plates of Buddharaja edited by Dr. Kielhorn in this Journal, Vol. VI, pp. 231 and ff. They include numerical symbols for 300, 40, 7, 10 and 5 in line 34. The language of the inscription is Sanskrit, and with the exception of five imprecatory and benedictive verses in lines 28-33, the text is in prose.

The inscription is one of Śańkaragaṇa, the son of Krishṇarâja, of the family of the Kaṭachchūris. It records an order of Śańkaragaṇa, issued from his camp at Ujjayinî, to the effect that he granted a hundred nivarttanas of land in the village of Vallisikâ situated in the district of Bhôgavarddhana to a Brâhmaṇa named Âhmaṇasvâmin, of the Gantama gatra, belonging to the Taittiriya śâklai, who was a resident of Kallāvana, at the request of Gôggâ. The inscription is dated, in words and numerical symbols, on the 15th day of the bright half of Śrāvaṇa of the year 347,2 which must be referred to the Kalachuri era, so that the date corresponds to the 27th July A.D. 595.

The Katachchûri Śańkaragaņa is identical with the father of Buddharâja, who issued the Sarsavņî grant. The wording of the two inscriptions is practically identical, with the exception of the portion referring to the grants themselves. There is, of course, nothing in our inscription to correspond to lines 14-17 of the Sarsavņî plates, which refer to Buddharâja.

Of the localities occurring in our inscription, Kallavana is the modern Kalavana in the Nasik district. Vallisika and Bhôgavardhana I cannot identify.

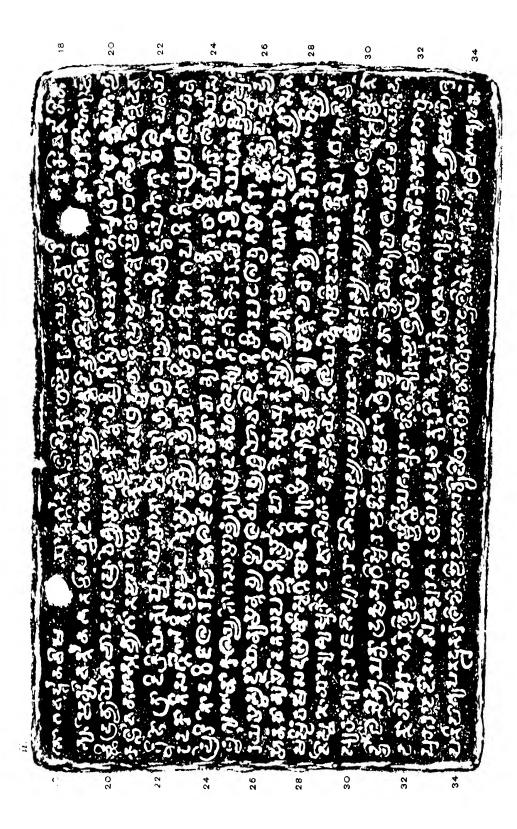
In line 20 of the present inscription we find the technical expression a-châţa-bhaṭa-prāvēsyam, which so frequently occurs in other inscriptions, and which has usually been rendered "not to be entered by irregular and regular soldiers." I invite the attention of Sanskrit scholars to the following passage, in which Śańkarāchārya uses it,3—

tasmát tűrkika-chûţa-bhaṭa-rûj-ûpravéśyam abhayam durgam idam alpabuddhy-agamyam śāstra-guru-prasāda-rahitais cha. Ânandajñāna gives the following explanation, advaite virôdh-āntar-ûbhûvô=pi tűrkiku-s.maya-virôdhô=st=ity-ásanky=ûha tasmid iti pramāṇa-virôdh-ûbhûvs tach-chhabd-ārthaḥ áryamaryādām bhind.i-

¹ Or, if we read Kauras Ayo, "he gave to the very brave and noble Kaurava (Kawar) named Lunga."

² [In the photo-lithograph 247 has been wrongly printed instead of 347—S. K.]

³ Brihadaranyak opanishadbhashyuftka, Anandasrama edition, pp. 311 and fL



náš chátá vivakshyanté (bhatás tu sévaká mithyá-bháshinas tésháin sarvésháin rájánas tárkikás tair apravésyam anákramaniyam idain brahmaikatvam iti yávat.

TEXT.

First Plate; Second Side.

- 1 श्री स्वस्ति[॥*] विजयस्कन्धावारादुञ्जयनीवासकाच्छरदुपगमप्रमन्नगगनतलविमल-विप्रल
- 2 विविधपुरुषरस्नगुणिकरणनिकरावभासिते मङ्गासत्वापात्रयदुर्भक्के गाभीर्थ्यवित्र स्थित्य-
- 3 नुपासनपरे महोदधाविय कटकृरीणामन्वये सक्तजनमनोष्ठरया चिन्द-क्येव कीर्त्या
- 4 भुवनमवभासयनाजनान एव पग्रपतिममात्रयपरञ्जलङ्कदोषरहितञ्जलकुमुद-
- 5 वनलक्तीविबोधनथन्द्रमा इव श्रीक्षण्यराजी यसंश्रयविशेषलोभादिव मकलै-राभिगामिकै-
- 6 रितरैय गुणैक्पेतस्मम्पवप्रकृतिमण्डलो यथावदात्मन्यान्तितप्रकृतिसिद्धियंन च क्चिरवं-
- 7 प्रश्नोभिना नियतमस्वलितदानप्रसरेण प्रथितबलगरिम्णा वनवारणय्थपेनेवावि-
- 8 ग्रङ्कं विचरता वनराजय इवावनमिता दिशो यस्य च शस्त्रमापत्रत्रा-गाय विग्रह्म×परा-
- 9 भिमानभङ्गाय शिचितं विनयाय विभवार्ज्जनं प्रदानाय प्रदानं धर्माय धर्मः श्रेयोवा-
- 10 प्रयो तस्य पुत्रः प्रथिव्यामप्रतिरथयतुष्ट्विमिलिलास्त्रादितयमा धनद्वष्णेन्द्रा-स्तक-
- 11 समप्रताप: खबाडुबलोपात्तोर्ज्जितराजश्री 🖂 प्रताबा(पा) तिश्योपनतसमग्रसामन्त-
- 12 मण्डल: परस्परापीडितधर्मार्थंकामनिषेवी प्रणतिमात्रमुपरितीषगश्चीरीव्रत-
- 13 हृदयस्मयवप्रजापासनाधिगतभूरिद्रविणवित्राणनावाप्तधर्माक्रियसिरोत्सन्ना-
- 14 नां नृपतिवंशानां प्रतिष्ठापयितात्युच्छितानामुन्सूचियता दीनात्य-क्रपणसमिभन-
- 15 वितमनोरथाधिकनिकासफलप्रदः पूर्व्वापरससुद्रान्तादिदेशखासी मातापितु-
- 16 पादानुध्यात: परममाञ्चेखर: श्रीयञ्चरगण: सर्व्यानेव राजसामन्तभोगिकविषय-
- 17 पतिराष्ट्रग्राममञ्जराधिकारिकादीनामाज्ञापयत्यस्तु वो विदितमग्राभिः

Second Plate; First Side.

- 18 भोगवर्डनविषयान्तर्गातवित्तिसिकायामि उभयचत्वारिंग्रकनिवर्त्तीनना(नेन)
- 19 भूमेर्त्रिवर्त्तनशतम् सर्व्वादानसंग्राद्यं सर्व्वदित्यविष्टिपातिभेदिकापरिस्रीणं भूमि-
- 20 च्छिद्रन्यायेन।चाटभटप्रावेश्यमाचन्द्राक्षीण्णेवचितिस्थितिसमकालीनं पुत्रपीत्रान्वय-भीग्यं
- 21 कल्लावनवास्त्रव्यगीतमसगोत्रतित्तिरीयसब्रह्मचारी भाह्मणस्वामिने बलिचक्षैय-देवा-
- 22 मिन्हीत्रादिक्रियोत्सप्पेणाय मातापित्रीरात्मनय पुरूषयश्रीभिष्ठदये गोगा-विज्ञापनया
- 23 उदकातिमर्गेणातिमृष्टं यतोस्राइंग्यैरन्यैव्वागामिनृपतिभागपतिभिः प्रवलपवन-
- 21 प्रेरितोद्धिजनतरङ्गचञ्चलं जीवलीकमभावानुगतानसारान्विभवान्दीर्ग्धकानस्थयस-
- 25 य गुणानाकलय्य 'भोगसामान्यभूप्रदानफलेष्स्रभः प्रशिकरक्चिरं चिराय यप्रयिचीपुभि-
- 26 रयमस्रहायोनुमन्तव्य ४पात्तयितव्यस [।*] यो वाञ्चानितिमरपटलाहतमित-राच्छिन्द्यादाच्छिदा-
- 27 मानं वानुमोदेत स पञ्चभिम्भेद्धापातकीसंयुक्तस्यादित्युक्तञ्च भगवता वदव्यामेन व्यासेन [॥*]
- 29 षष्टिं वर्षसङ्खाणि स्वर्गों मोदित भूमिद[: ।*] श्राच्छेत्ता चानुमन्ता च तान्धेव नरको वसेत् ॥ विन्धाट-
- 29 वीष्वतीयासु गुष्ककोटरवासिन: [।*] क्रणाइयो हि जायको भूमिदायं इरिक्त ये ॥ बहुभिर्वन-
- 30 सुधा भुता राजभिसागरादिभिः [।*] यस्य यस्य यदा भूमिस्तस्य तस्य तदा फलम् ॥ पृर्व्वदत्तां
- 31 दिजातिभ्यो यक्षाद्रच युधिष्ठिर [।*] महीं महीमता श्रेष्ठ दानाच्छेयोनुपालन-मिपच ॥ यानीच
- 32 दत्तानि पुरा नरेन्द्रैर्हानानि धर्मात्र्धयप्रस्तराणि [।*] निब्र्भुक्षमास्यप्रति-मानि तानि को नाम साधः
- 33 पुनराददीत ॥ संवत्सरशतत्रये सप्तचलारिश्चदुत्तरके त्रावणग्रद्वपञ्चदध्यां महापिल-
- 31 पतिपाग्रवतदूतकं चिलितसिटं महासन्धिविष्रहाधिकरणाधिकतवाट्चिल-निति ॥ सं ३०० ४० ७ श्रावण गु १० ५

i The Sarsavnt plates read samanya-bhoga-bhu-.

TRANSLATION.

Line 1. Om! Hail! From the victorious camp pitchod at Ujjayini. In the lineage of the Katachchûris, which, like the great ocean, is extensive and spotless as the firmament, clear on the approach of autumn, illumined by the mass of the rays of the excellences of many iewels of men (as the ocean is adorned by the rays of its gems); which is difficult to be crossed, because it is the home of men of great vigour (as the ocean is of large animals), full of gravity and desirous of keeping within the bounds of what is proper (just as the ocean is full of depth and desirous of keeping within its shores), there was the glorious Krishnaraja. who illumined the world with his fame, as the moon with light, agreeable to all men; who was from his birth solely devoted to Pasupati (Siva), just as the moon solely rests on Siva; who (though) froe from defects, yet like the moon (who has a spot) revives the beauty (prosperity) of his family resembling a forest of night lotuses; who was resorted to by all virtues which attract2 men to a king and by other qualities, as if through a desire to obtain a very suitable abode; who was endowed with all the constituent parts of royalty; who had properly enjoyed the fruits of his regal powers; who resplendent with his illustrious family, the flow of his liberality being ceaseless and the majesty of his power well-known, reaming fearlessly, subdued the regions, as the chief in a herd of wild elephants, with the ceaseless flow of its rutting juice, displaying the greatness of its strength, roaming about fearlossly breaks down rows of forests; whose sword was used to protect the helpless; whose wars were made to humble the pride of his enemies; whose learning aimed at modesty; who acquired wealth to make gifts; who made gifts in order to acquire religious merit, and acquired religious merit in order to obtain final bliss.

(L. 10.) His son, the glorious Sankaragana, a great devotee of Siva, the lord of countries bounded by the eastern and western ocean, and other lands, who meditated on the feet of his parents; who had no rival in the world; whose fame was tasted by the waters of the four oceans; whose might was equal to that of Kubèra, Varuna, Indra and Yama; who acquired the fortune of great kings by the strength of his arm; to whom, by reason of the excess of his prowess, the circle of all feudatory kings bowed; who enjoyed religious most, wealth and pleasure without allowing them to encroach upon one another; whose profound and lofty mind was satisfied with mere submission; who performed religious acts by giving away, in charity, the immense wealth acquired by properly protecting his subjects; who re-instated families of kings who had long been dethroned; who uprooted those that were too proud; who granted to the afflicted, the blind and the poor, the object of their desires which exceeded their sanguine expectations,—issues this order to all kings, fondatories, blogikus, heads of provinces, districts, and villages, officers and others:—

Be it known to you. Fer the increase of the religious merit and fame of our parents and ourselves we have granted, at the request of Gôggá, with pouring out of water, a hundred nivaritanas of land,—by a nivaritana measuring forty on both sides,—in the village of Vallisika situated in the province of Bhôgavarddhana, together with all receipts, free from all ditya, forced labour, and pratibhidika, according to the maxim of bhûmichkidra, not to be encroached upon by rogues and servants who tell lies,4 to be enjoyed by a succession of sons and sons' sons for as long as the moon, the sun, the ocean and the earth endure,—to Ahmaṇasvāmin, a resident of Kallāvana belonging to the Gautama gôtra, and a student of the Taittiriya śikhā, for the maintenance of bali, chara, vaišvadēva, aquinātra and other rites,— wherefore future kings and governors, whether of our own family or others, reflecting that this world of living beings is as unstable as a wave of the waters of the ocean, moved by a strong gale, that

¹ [Compare the translation of the Sarsavol plates and the notes accompanying it, above, Vol. VI. pp. 299 and ff. S. K.]

Kamandaktya nitisara, chap. IV. verses 6-8.

Sorgà was probably the name of the queen of Sankaragana.

⁴ See the introductory remarks.

riches are perishable and unsubstantial, and that virtues endure for a long time,—wishing to participate in the fruit of a gift of land, which is an object of enjoyment by all, and desiring to accumulate fame as bright as the rays of the moon for a long time, should consent to this our gift of land and preserve it. Whoever, with his mind covered by the veil of the darkness of ignorance should take it away, or allow it to be taken away, shall be guilty of the five great sins. And it is said by the venerable Vyâsa, the arranger of the Vêdas:—[Here follow five well-known imprecatory verses.]

(L. 33) In three hundred years increased by forty-seven, on the fifteenth day of the bright half of Śrâvaṇa, this edict, the dûtaka of which is the Mahaipilupati Pasupata, was written by the Mahaisandhicigrahaidhikaraṇadhikṛita Vâṭehalin. Sam 300 40 7 Śrāvaṇa su 10 5.

No. 46.—ARIGOM SARADA INSCRIPTION.

LAUKIKA SAMVAT 73.

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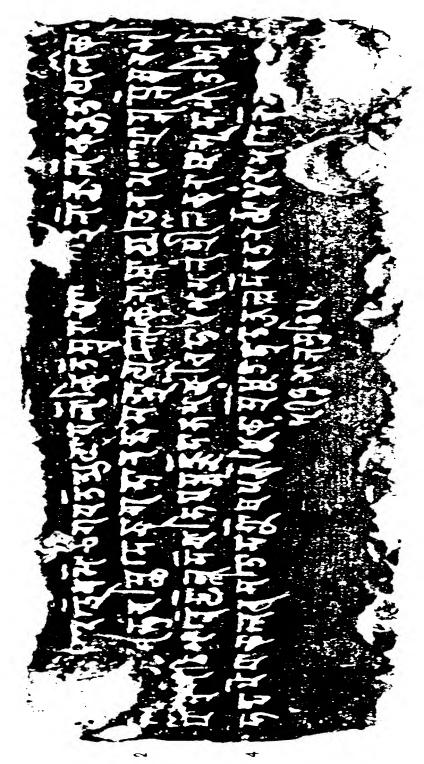
Ârgôm is a village in the Nâgâm pargana, 74° 45′ long., 33° 56′ lat., about 15 miles southwest of Śrinagar, as the crow flies. Dr. Stein, in his note on the Rajjatarańgini 1, 340, identifies Argôm with Hâḍigrâma, where Gôpâditya is said to have established an agrahâra, and states that some remains of temples were traced there by Paṇdit Kâŝî Râm in 1891. Hâḍigrâma is further mentioned by Kalhaṇa (VIII, 672) as one of the strongholds of the Dâmara Prithvihara. In the troubled times following on the accession of Jayasinha in A.D. 1128, "Hâḍigrâma, where King Sussala and those of his side had lost their renown, was burned by Sujji, whose valour was mighty" (VIII, 1586), and the place is further mentioned in connexion with the incursion of king Lôthana during the same period (VIII, 2195).

In June 1903, Paṇḍit Mukund Râm, who had with great courtesy been placed at my disposal by the Kashmir Darbar, was informed by a friend of the existence of an inscribed stone in the house of a Brâhmaṇ in Âr'gôm, and at my request he went up to inspect it. According to information gathered by him on the spot, the stone in question was found about twelve years ago in a piece of uncultivated land near the Masjid Malik Sahib by a cultivator, who was digging there, and sold to a Brâhmaṇ for some corn. The Brâhmaṇ kept the stone for some time and did $p\hat{u}j\hat{u}$ to it. But people who saw it, told him that the writing probably contained information about hidden treasure, and that the stone therefore properly belonged to the Mahârâja. He got frightened, and first hid the stone under the wall of his house, but later on he threw it into a pit at the entrance of his $g\hat{o}\hat{s}\hat{a}l\hat{d}$ and covered it up with cow-dung. Paṇḍit Mukund Râm further informs me that images, pedestals, stones and bricks are found all over the place, and it is probable that excavations would yield interesting results.

The stone mentioned above is square, measuring 20° each way, and being $4\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ high. On the top is a raised circle, apparently the base of an image. One of the four faces of the stone is inscribed with five lines in Śaradā letters.

The writing covers a space of $17\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3'$, and the height of the letters averages $\frac{3}{4}''$. They are distributed over five lines, the fifth of which contains the date. The beginning of the first two lines and the last letter in lines 1-3 and the three last letters in line 4 have disappeared.

The characters are Śarada, and they are very well ent. Ja has the older form as in the Baijnath prasasti. The final form of m occurs in line 3. The diphthong \dot{e} has been marked in two different ways, by means of a horizontal line above, as in bhagavate, 1, 1, or by a vertical before the consonant as in $t\dot{e}$, 1, 2. Similarly \dot{d} is sometimes marked by adding a horizontal above, sometimes by prefixing a vertical to the consonant accumpanied by the sign for \dot{d} . Compare



Aryûvalôkitéśvarûya, l. 1, and lôkanûthûya, l. 2. A third method ocears in lôkû at the end of line 1, where a wavy line has been added above the sign for la. Of initial vowels only û ocears in ûryû-, l. 1. Among ligatures I may note kya, l. 1, kkra, l. 3, kra, l. 4; ûya, l. 2; dya. l. 3; rya, l. 1; and perhaps thựa, l. 3. The numeral symbols for 7, 3 and 5 occur in line 5.

The language of this inscription is Sanskrit, and, with the exception of the invocation of Avalôkitêśvara in l. 1, and the date in l. 5, the whole is in verse. There are altogether two verses. The first is apparently a stika. The second pida, however, contains three syllables too much, but these aksharas are probably simply a repetition of part of pida 1. The second verse is a śārdūlavikridīta. The object of the inscription is to record the construction of a ribaira built of pakka bricks, by Rāmadôva, the son of Kulladôva, in order to replace a wooden structure which had been built by a vaidya, whose name I read Ulhņa, and which had been burnt down by king Simha. This Simha must be identical with Jayasimha (from A.D. 1128), in whose reign Hāḍigrāma was burnt down by Sujji.¹ It then becomes highly probable that the vaidya Ulhṇa is identical with Ulhaṇa, the son of Sahadôva, who was a supporter of Sujji.² Sahadôva is described as a Rājaputra,³ which fact can of course be well reconciled with his son Ulhaṇa's being a vaidya. The constructor of the brick vihāra was Rāmadôva, whom I cannot identify. His father Kulladôva was perhaps in charge of the old wooden vihōira, if J am right in interpreting tad-rata (1, 4) as "devoted to, attached to him, viz., Avalôkitêšvara."

The word *vihāra* is used with more than one meaning. In our inscription, however, there cannot be much doubt that it signifies a shrine, as it has been characterized as "the abode of Lôkanâtha." The stone upon which this epigraph has been incised is most probably the actual base of the statue of Lôkanâtha here alluded to. Lôkanâtha is, of course, identical with Avalôkitêśvara, who is invoked in lines 1-2. Our inscription thus furnishes valuable proof of the fact that Buddhism was still lingering in Kashmir in the 12th and 13th centuries.

The mention of the materials used in building the old and the new shrines, is also of interest We learn that the former was constructed from wood, while the latter was built from pakka bricks.

The old vihára is stated to have been built in the vicinity of Gangêsvara. This is now called Gangêsvara, and is the place where the present inscription was dug out. The modern corruption of the name is not of very old date. The old name was at least remembered about 10 years ago. This is proved by a januapattra, which Pandit Mukund Râm found in Ārīgom, and which was written by Pandit Gangês Khusrao in Laukika Samvat 4939, i.e. A.D. 1862-63. It speaks of a person as Gangêsvara-pādamūlē Ārigrāmē vāstavya residing in Ārīgom at the feet of Gangêsvara. Gangêsvara was originally probably a Śiva temple, and it is not unlikely that it could be identified by means of excavations.

The inscription is dated Samvat 73, Marga suti 5. This date must be subsequent to the burning of $\hat{A}r^ig\hat{o}m$ during the reign of Jayasimha. Now Jayasimha's father was murdered in the Laukika year 4203, and the burning of $\hat{A}r^ig\hat{o}m$ took place in the first part of his reign. It is therefore as good as certain that we have to understand the date of our inscription as 4273 on the fifth tithi of the bright fortnight of Margasirsha, corresponding to Sunday, the 16th November 1197.

TEXT.

... नमो भगवत आर्यावलोकितेश्वराय ॥ ^३[त्रै]लोक्यालोकभूताय लोका-[स्रो]-

¹ Rajatarangini, VIII. 1586.

² Ibidem. vv. 2066, 2092, 2097.

⁴ Ibidem. v. 198.

^{&#}x27;I cannot restore the beginning. The akshara preceding नमी looks like त. Pandit Mukund Ram auggests to read ची.

Metre: Sloka. There is something wrong in the second pdda.

- 3 धौ [सम]तिमान्वैद्योल्हुदेवाभिधसक्के दार्गमयं विज्ञारममलं श्रीलोकनाशास्य-दम [1*] तिस्ति[ित्रं]-
- इन्हिपेण कालविश्वती दिखेष पक्षेष्टिकार्येष्ठं तद्रतकुक्कदेवतनयोमुं रामदेवी
 [व्यधात् ॥] [२*]
- ठ सं ७३ मार्ग श्रुति ५

TRANSLATION.

- Line 1. Salutation to the exalted noble Avalôkitôśvara.
- (Verse 1). Salutation to thee, the Lord of the World, who hast become a light to the three worlds, who destroys transmigration, the moon of delight to the world.
- (V. 2). Formerly the raidya Ulhnadêva² by name made a spotless vihêra of weed, an abode for the Lord of the World, in the vicinity of the Gangêsvara (temple). After this, by the will of fate, had been burned by king Simha, Râmadêva, the son of Kulladêva, who was devoted to him (Avalôkitêśvara), made you ler (vibera) excellent with buent bricks.
 - Line 5. Samvat 73, the 5th day of the bright (half) of Marga(sirsha).

No. 47.— CHANDRAVATI PLATE OF CHANDRADEVA. SAMVAT 1148.

By STEN KONOW.

The plate containing this inscription was found on the inner slope of the left bank of the Ganges, near the water's edge, under the fort at Chandravati, in the Benares District. Mr. Chhote Lal, the District Engineer of Benares, informs me that, owing to the crosive action of the river, portions of the fort were undermined and fell down from time to time. The plate fell into the river along with the walls of the fort, and was seen and picked up by the Public Works Department's beatman, who deposited it in the District Engineer's office at Benares. In March 1908 it was then finally handed over to the Director General of Archaeology in India.

The plate, which is inscribed on one side only, measures $15\frac{3}{4}'' \times 11\frac{3}{4}''$. The edges are fashioned thicker and raised into rims. In the upper part of the plate is a hole, through which passes a ring, about $\frac{1}{2}''$ thick and 3'' in diameter. On the ring slides a bell-shaped seal, $2\frac{3}{4}''$ from top to bottom. The surface of the seal is circular and $2\frac{1}{4}''$ in diameter. It represents in relief, on a slightly countersunk surface, a Garuda, with the body of a man and the head of a bird, kneeling and facing the proper right. Across the centre is the legend *sriva-back-(srimach, Chaindrach vah, and at the bottom a conch shell.

The plate contains 23 lines of writing. Pasts of it are much worn, and the portion containing the date cannot be made out with certainty. The characters are Nagari, and the language is Sanskrit. With regard to orthography I shall only note that va is used both for va and for ba, and that the dental sibilant is often used instead of the palatal one; thus, *asita*

Metre: Sårdúlavíki idíta. 2 It is posable that the name should be read Alliquides a

for asida-, 1. 1, -vainsa- for -vainsa-, 1. 2. There are several other misspellings and slips, especially towards the end.

After the invocation to Sri common in other plates of the same family, our inscription proceeds to give the genealogy of the donor in four verses, which are well known from other inscriptions. We are told that Yaśóvigraha had the son Mahlehandra, whose son again was Chandradóva, the issuer of the present grant. The inscription then goes on in prose, stating that the victorious king Chandradóva issues the following order to all the people assembled, residing in the Vadagava-village in the Vavana-pattala, and also to the Rājas, Rījāis, Yurarājas, councillors, chaplains, warders of the gate, generals, treasurers, keepers of records, physicians, astrologors, superintendents of gynaceums, messengers, the officers in charge of elophants, horses, towns, mines, sthinus and gôkulas:

"Be it known to you that the aforesaid village, with its water and dry land, with its mines of iron and salt, with its fishing places, with its ravines and saline soil, with and including its groves of madhâka and mango, grass and pasture land, with what is above and below, defined as to its four abuttals, up to its proper boundaries, has to lay, on the day of the bright fortnight of Kârttika, Sainvat 1148, been given by us for as long a time as moon and sun endure, with the pouring out of water from the palm of our hand, purified with gikarnal and kuśa-grass, to the Brâhman Varun'svayasarman (-śvaraśarman), the son of Varáhasvâmi, the grandson of Anarudha, of the Vasishtha gôtra, and whose only pravara is Vasishtha, for the increase of the merit and fame of our parents and ourselves, after having today bathed here in the neighbourhood of Sauri (Śauri)-Narāyana, after having duly satisfied the sacred texts, divinities, saints, men, beings, and groups of ancestors,2 after having worshipped the san whose splendour is skilled in rending the veil of darkness, after having worshipped Vāsudêva, the saviour of the three worlds, and after having sacrificed to the Fire an oblation with abundant milk, rice and sugar."

The first point here that is worthy of notice is the date, which is the earliest known for Chundradêva, the other copper plate of his time being dated in Sanavat 1154.³ It will be seen that the portion of it containing the *tithi* and the week day is illegible. Mr. Chhote Lal, who has examined the original, writes about this point,—

"Ordinarily, it might be thought that the excessive corrosion and incrustation of rust at this particular part of the plate was purely accidental, but from a minute examination of the imperfect and damaged letters which are still discernible, I am led to conclude that the excessive incrustation at this point was due to the fact that the surface of the plate was already damaged by somebody in his endeavour to make a correction in the date. It is remarkable that the name of the place or that of the stream in which the donor took his bath, is not mentioned in the inscription. Nor is there any mention of the occasion (eclipse, sankranti, etc.) at which the gift was made. It would appear that Sauri-Narayana was in those days a very well-known place of pilgrimage requiring no further details to localise it, that the occasion presumably was the ordinary Karttika-sadna, and that the date originally entered on the plate was painchadasydin gurau, but was afterwards attempted to be corrected into ckādasyām ravau. The c of the latter just overlaps the pain of the former; the kd of the latter being rather large has been so formed as to include the cha and to cover the space occupied by da of the former; while the space occupied by syam of the former has been utilised for the rather clumsily large da of the latter. It will thus be seen that the space originally occupied by the word painchadasyain, which was of normal size, was subsequently occupied by the much larger letters, ê, kd and da, and there being no more space available for the final syllable sydin, it was omitted. Similarly, the ra of

¹ Compare Kielhorn, Ind. Ant. XV. p. 10, Note 57.

² See ibidem, note 55.

³ Ind. Ant. XVIII. pp. 9 and ff.

ration overlaps the gu of guran and ran of the latter has been deformed into something like can of the former. Now the question arises, "Why was the date corrected?" The reason may be that the grant was originally intended to be made on the painchadasi, on the occasion of a buar eclipse which was expected to take place on that date. A little calculation will show that the eclipse did actually occur on the specified date (corresponding to Thursday, the 7th of November, 1090 A.D.), but as the time of its occurrence was early in the following morning (according to calculation), it must have been very doubtful whether it would be visible at the place visited by Chandradeva. This circumstance may have been anticipated, and it may have been decided to make the donation on the preceding Prabadhini Ekadasi (Sunday, the 3rd of November, 1090 A.D.) which was a most suitable day for the purpose, being the day on which Vishon—the deity worshipped by Chandradêva—rises from his four months' sleep. I say all this may have been the cause of the alteration in the date, for there is no a priori reason against this supposition. But I consider it very unlikely that a Mahârâja, who changed his mind about the actual day of performing a religious ceremony, could have allowed a correction and a clumsy correction at the best—to be made in the copper plate inscription recording the gift of a whole village, when the entire inscription could have been cut on a new plate in a day's time. The fact seems to be that it is no honour to a Brahman to receive a gift on the occasion of an oclipse, and there are certain sects of Brahmaus, e.g. Sarjuparis and Kanaujiyas, who would promptly excommunicate any member of their community who was known to have received a gift on account of an eclipse. The Brahman who received the munificent gift from Chandradêva probably belonged to one of these sects, and, after the king had made the gift and departed, he seems to have thought of concealing his disgraceful conduct and to have caused the original and genuine date to be altered as explained above."

Mr. Chhote Lal further identifies Vadagava with the present Baragaon, a village 14 miles north-west of Benares. He thinks it, however, also possible that it was the old name of Chandravati, which was afterwards changed in honour of king Chandradeva.

After the mention of the grant, we find some of the usual imprecatory verses, and, at the end, the name of the writer, the thakkura Mahananda.

TEXT!

- I Om² svasti II rainrambhab 3akumth-ôtkantha-Vaikumtha-kantha-pitha-luthat-karah suratârainbhê sa Sriyah śrêyasê-stu vah || 4âsîd asî(sì)tadyu-
- 2 ti-vamsa(sa)-jâta-[kshmâ]pâla-mâlâsu divain gatâsu | sakshad Vivasvan=iva bhûridhâmnâ nâmnâ Yasôvigraha ity-udârah || 5tat-sutô-bhût(n)= Mahlchamdra-
- 3 ś= cha[in*]dradhâma-nibhain nijani | yên- âparam akûpara-parê vyaparitani 6tasy - âbhût=tanayô nay-aikarasikah krâmta-dvishan-mamdâlâ(mamdalo) 7viddhast-òddhata-
- śrî-Chamdradevô 4 dhîra-yôdha-timirah nripah | vên= ôdâratara-pratâpa- sa(śa)mit ásésha-prajópadravam srîmad-Gadhipur-âdhirâjyam-asamam dörvikra-
- Kâśi-Kusik(-śik)-Öttarakôśal(sal)-Endra(h)sthânîyakam 5 mên=ârjitain || ⁸tîrthâni dvijebhyo paripálayat-ábhigamyah(ya) |hêm atmatulyam=anisam(sam) dadatâ
- paramabhattaraka-maharajavasumatî śatasa (śa)s=tulabhih || 8a cha dhirâja-paramêsva(śva)ra-paramamâhêsva(śva)ra-nijabhujôpâ[r*]jita-śrî-Ka-
- Vadagava-7 nyakuvj(bj)-âdhipatya-śrî-Chamdradêvò vijayî ||9 Vâvana-pattalâyâm râja-râjñî- yuvaragrâmê nivâ[sinô nikhila]-jana-padán-upagatán-api

¹ From the original plate.

² Expressed by a symbol. Metre: Indravajrå.

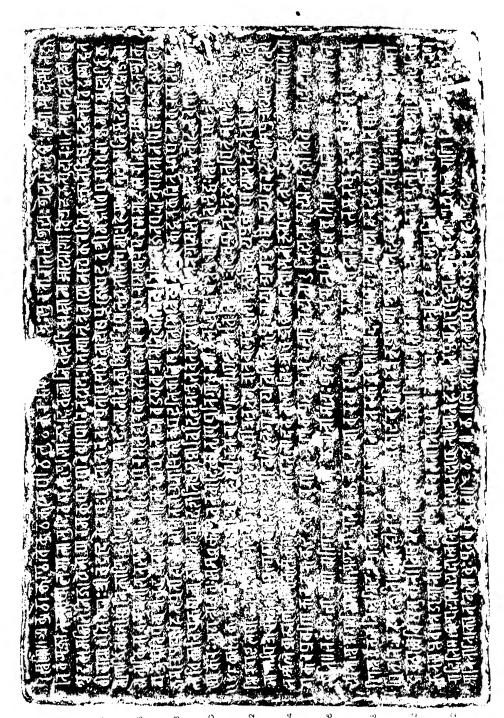
[&]quot; Metre: Vasantatilaka.

Read vidhrast -. This sign of interpunction is superfluous.

⁵ Motre: Anushtubh.

⁸ Metre: Anushtubb.

[·] Metre : Śardálavikridita.



- 8 ia-mamtri-purôhita-pratîhâra-sênâpati-bhâmdâgârik-âkshapatalika-bhishaka(shag)-naimi-[ttik-âmtahpu]rika-dûta-karituragapattanâkarasthânagô[ku]-
- 9 lâdhikâripurushan=ajñapaya(ya)ty=âdisati cha yathâ viditam-astu bhayatâm yathôpa[rilikhi]ta-grâma[h*] sa-jala-sthalah sa-lôha-lavan-âkarah sa-ma-
- 10 [t*]sy-âkarab sa-gartt-òsharah sa-madhûk-âmra-vana-vâţikâ-trina-yûti-gôcharaparyamtah s-ôrddh[v*]-âdhaś-chatur-âghâta-visu(śu)ddhah sva-sîmâ-parvantah [samvat]
- 11 1148 Kârttika su di ady=ôha Sau(Śau)ri-nārāyaņa- samīpê vidhivan=maintra-dêva-pu(mu)ni-manuja-bhûta-pitrig:mains=tarppayitvâ
- 12 mira-patala- pâtana-pa[tu-ma]hasams(sam=)[ushna-rôchi|sham samabhyarchya tribbuvana-¹trâtur - Vâsudêvasya pû jâm vidhâya prachura-pâyasêna havishâ havirbhujam [hu]tvâ
- 13 matapitrôr=atmana[ś-cha] pupya-pra(ya)[śô-bhivriddhayê] |2 Vasishthagotrâya |2 Vasishth-aika-prayarâya 12 Anarudha-pautrâya Var[â*]hasvâmi-putrâya |2 Varupėsvaya(svara)-
- 14 sa(śa)rmmanê vrâ(brâ)hmanâya gôkarsa(rņa)-kuśalatâ-pûta-karatal-òdakên-âsmâbhih âchamdrârkkam yâvavv(ch-chh)âsauîkritya pradattah | matvà yathâdiyamânabhâgabhô-
- 15. gakara-pravanikara-turushkadamda-kumaragadiânaka-prabhriti-samastâ [n *] = n i y a t â ç niyat-âdâyân= âjũâ(m)-vidhêyî-bhûya dâsyatha
- 16 iti || bhavamti ch=âtra paurāṇikā[ḥ*] ślôkāḥ || || 3bhûmim yaḥ pratigrihṇāti yaś=cha bhûmim prayachchhati | ubhau tau punyakarmmânau ni-
- 17 yatau svargna(rgga)- gâminau II sa (śa) mkham bhadrásanam chchhatram4 (śvâ) varavâranâh | bhûmi-dânasya chihnani phalam=5 a(ô)tat-Puraindara || shasht(h)im varsha-sahasrâ-
- vasati bhûmidah [1*] âchchhêttâ ch-ânumantâ cha 18 ni evarggê tân[v=*]êva narakam(kê) vasêt || svadattâm paradattâm vâ yô harôd(ta)=vasumdharâm | sa vishthâyâm krimir-bhûtvâ
- 19 pitribhih saha majjati || vârihînêshv=aranyêshu śushka-kôtara-vâsinah | krishpasarppåś=ra(cha) jâyamtê dêva-vra(bra)hma-sva-hârinah || па visham vi[sha]m=
- 20 hu[r*] vra(bra)hma-svam visham=nchyata(tê) | visham=êkâkinam hamti(r=) vra(bra)hmasvain puvrapautriâkam(putrapautrikam) || 6rgâm=akâm avarsêm. bhûmêr apy-êkam anigulam | haram (haran) narakam=âpnôti yâvad=â-
- 21 bhûta-sa[m*]plavam || tadâgânâm sahasrâui ⁷asvam[ô]dhasatâni cha | gavám kâ(kô)ti-pradânana(nêna) bhûmi-harttâ na snyati (śudhyati) || va(ba)hubhir= vasudhâ bhuktâ râjabhih Cha(Sa)ga-
- 22 radibhi[h] || (1) yasya yasya yada bhûmis-tasya tasya tadâ phalam || 8yan= dattâni narê[n#]drai[r#] purâ dânâni ⁹varmmâpiyasaskarâni [[*] ni-[rmålyavåmta-prati]-
- 23 mani tani kô nâma sadhuh punar-âdadhîta | | | 10 Likhîtanim-idan tammrapataka[m*] thakkura-śri- Mahanamda ||

4 Read chhattrim.

¹ The engraver originally wrote tribhuvama-, but corrected it.

² These signs of interpunctuation are superfluous.

⁸ Metre of this and the following verses: Anushtubh.

b The é-stroke has been put over the pu of Puramdara.

⁶ Read yám=ékám svarnam=ékam cha.

¹ Read asvamedhasatáni.

[·] Read dharmarthay as as -.

[&]quot; Metre: Indravajra.

¹⁰ Read likhitam =.

No. 48.—BURHANPUR SANSKRIT INSCRIPTION OF ADIL SHAH. SAMVAT 1646.

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Burhanpûr in the Nimâr district of the Central Provinces is an ancient historical site. It was the chief scat of the Fàrûqî kings. They ruled over Khândêsh, which name the Muhammadans derived from their title of Khân. Their rule lasted from 1370 to 1600 A.D., when it was displaced by the Mughals. One of these Fârûqî kings built the Jam'a Masjid, in which besides Arabic inscriptions he had one carved in Sanskrit, which gives his genealogy and the date of the construction of the mosque. This inscription is in the northern corner and is written within an arch, so that the lines, which are 6 in number, are of unequal length. They contain five verses, besides the invocation Sri spishtikartrê namah in the commencement and the date in the end, both of which are in prose.

The letters are Nagari and are raised, not incised, in the same fashion as Persian letters are usually found carved. Orthography hardly calls for any remarks. The sign of anagraha has been omitted throughout. Over the na of -khāna- (1.3) we find the Arabic sign of tashdid or double consonant.

The date is recorded in great detail, giving both the Vikrama and Saka years, which are stated to be 1646 and 1511 respectively, the cyclic year being Virôdhi. The mosque is stated to have been completed on Monday, the 11th of the bright fortnight of the month Pausha, the exact moment in ghatis and the nakshatra, lagna, yiga, karana, etc., being added most precisely.2 The date in the Hijra era is given as 997 in Arabic above the inscription. Its English equivalent was kindly calculated for me by the late Professor Kielhorn, C.I.E., who found it to be Monday, the 5th January 1590. The astrological details are unique in a Muhammadan mosque and show the religious tendency of the later Fârûqî kings. In Burhânpûr much of the beliefs of the two religions (Hinduism and Islam) get mixed up, traces of which are still conspicuously present there. As an instance may be cited the preachings of the Pirzidas, who are Musalmans and who say that God will now become incarnate as Nishkalanki.3 The Fàrûqìs undoubtedly believed in astrology, as this inscription shows, and although the builder of the mosque took every care to erect it in the most auspicious moment completing it exactly in one year (as an Arabic inscription carved in the middle of the Masjid discloses) and wished by his pious act to ensure the long continuance of his dynasty, yet uncompromising destiny snatched away the crown from them, only ten years after the construction of the edifice. In fact Bahâdur Khân, the builder's son, was so much infatuated with superstition, that, in spite of his possessing the impregnable Asirgarh fort with ten years' provisions, onormous treasures and numerous horses and cattle, he felt convinced that he could not hold his own against Akbar, of whom he believed that he was a nocromancer and that magicians accompanied him to reduce the fort. A postilence which broke out among the animals, was attributed to the black art, and he saw no way but to surrender to the mighty wizard. This mosque was thus destined to receive another inscription, which Akbar triumphantly caused to be carved recording his victory of Khândêsh in A.H. 1009 (A.D. 1600), annihilating the glory of the mosque builder's dynasty for ever. This inscription is in Persian and is conspicuously inscribed on the outside wall of the left hand minår.

¹ It was here that the famous Mumtaz Mahall (Arjumand Banu Begam) breathed her last.

² For details see translation at the end.

I have seen some Sanskrit annuscripts in Persian character in the possession of some Maulvis of Burhanpur, preserved as heiricoms from their ancestors, who apparently studied them under State encouragement. Unfortunately most of these valuable records have been destroyed by the fires of 1897 and 1906 which caused damage to the extent of about 57 lakhs besides loss of life.

The chief interest of our inscription lies in the genealogy of the Fârûqîs given in it. According to it the first king was Râja Malik, whose son was Ghazni (Khân). His son was Kaisar Khân, whose son was Hasan, from whom was born Âdil Shâh, whose son was Mubārakh. Âdil Shâh, the constructor of the mosque, was the son of this Mubârakh. This genealogy differs from those given by Firishta and Abul Fazl. According to the former Âdil Shâh was the 6th descendant from Malik Râja, and according to the latter the 8th, while according to our inscription he was the 7th. The tables given below will show at a glance how matters stand:—

Sanskrit inscription.	Briggs' Firishta, Vol. IV., p. 280.	Jarrett's Ain-i-Akhari, Vol. II., p. 226.
Rája Malik .	Malik Ràja.	Malik Râji.
Gaznî (Khân).	Nasîr Khân.	Ghiznî Khân, title Nasîr Khân.
Kaisar Khân.		Mìran Shâh alias Adil Shâh.
		Mubarik Shah Chaukhandi.
Hasan (Khân).	Hasen Khân.	Âdil Shah Aynâ alias Ahsan Khân.
Âdil Shâh.	Âdil Khân.	Âdil Shâh.
Mubârakh.	Mubârik.	Mubârik Shâh,
Âdil Shâh.	Râja Alî Khân.	Râja Alî Khân, title Âdil Shâh.

The Ain-i-Akbari states that "Bahâdur Khân (who was the son of Râja Alî Khân) was 9th in descent from Malik Râji." This has led Colonel Jarrett, as it would indeed lead others, to suppose that the list given there is genealogical and that Ahsan Khân, the fifth king, was identical with Hasan Khân, who, as a matter of fact, was never a king. Hasan Khân belonged to a collateral branch of the family, whose son became king on the failure of male issue in the main line.

The Âin-i-Akbari has mixed up the succession list with the genealogical table. Mîran Shâh, the third descendant, was really a grandson of Malik Râja, but the point missed is that he was not the direct ascendant of the last Âdil Shâh or Râja. Alî Khân. The crown first went in Mîran Shâh's line up to Âdil Shâh Aynâ, who was succeeded by his brother Dâwûd Khân, and the latter by his son Ghaznî Khân, who was poisoned two days after ascending the throne. Abul Fazl does not mention Ghaznî Khân at all, probably because his succession to the throne was only nominal. Ghaznî Khân left no sou,² and hence the crown went to Râja Alî Khân's grandfather Âdil Shâh or Âdil Khân. The three kings Mîran Shâh, Mnbârak Shâh and Âdil Shâh Aynâ were not thus direct ascendants of Râja Alî Khân. The Âin-i-Akbari list should therefore be left out of consideration, and the question must be decided between our inscription and Firishta's list. Briggs³ takes Hasan to be the son of Nasîr Khân, relying on Firishta's assertion that "Âdil was the son of Hasan and grandson of Nasîr Khân." If Hasan were the son of Nasîr Khân, he would be the brother of Mîran Shâh, who was crowned king after his father's death. We would, therefore, have to suppose that Miran's nephew came to the throne after the expiry of three

¹ See his Afn-i-Akbarf, Vol. II., p. 226, footnote,

² Briggs' Firishta, Vol. IV., p. 303.

generations, which is an unlikely supposition. There is nothing to show that Adil Khan (Hasan's son) was extraordinarily long-lived. It, therefore, seems very probable that there was an intervening generation between Nasir Khan and Hasan Khan, and the missing link is supplied by the Sanskrit inscription in the person of Kaisar Khan, son of Nasîr and father of Hasan Khân. In the inscription Kaisar Khân is merely called a vira or here and not a king. and although Hasan was also never a king, the epithet of kshitisa was apparently added to his name by way of courtesy, to tickle the ruling prince. Regarding the sources of his information Firishta records² that when he visited Burhânpûr in A.H. 1013 (A.D. 1604), he asked Mirzâ Alî Isfahânî if any history existed of the Fârûqî family. The Mirzà replied that he knew of none, but said that he once saw a genealogy of the family down to Malik Raja, which he copied and took along with him. It would thus appear that no history of the kings later than Malik Rāja existed at all. So the information he collected was apparently from traditions or other casual records, while the writer of the Sanskrit inscription must certainly have been supplied with information from the royal family, as it was intended to be a permanent record, in one of the greatest works the king built. It is, therefore, more reliable than Firishta and leaves no room for doubt as to its authenticity.4 A revised genealogy of the Fârûqî kings will be found below on p. 310.

TEXT.5

- 1 ॥: त्री स्टिष्टकत्रे "नुम: । चत्रात्कां(क्रं) व्यापकं नित्यं गुणातीतं चिदालकं [।*] द्यत्कस्य(व्यक्तस्य) कारणं वंदे व्यक्ताव्यक्तं तमीकारं' ॥१॥ यावज्ञान्त्राः क्रीतारा-
- 2 दि चिति: स्थादंबरांगणै(णे) [।*] तावत्कार्वितवंशीसी चिरं नंदत् भूतले ॥२॥ वंशेष तिस्तान्तिल फार्कींद्री वभूव राजा मिलकाभि-धान: [।*] तस्थाभवत्त्रुन-
- 3 त्रदारचेता: कुलावतंसी गजनीनरेश: ॥३॥ तस्त्रादभूत्वेसरखानवीर: पुत्र-स्त्रदीयो इसनचितीश: [।*] तस्त्रादभूदेदलशाइभूप: पुत्रोभवत्तस्य स्वारखेंद्र: ॥४॥

¹ The average for a generation in the line of which Ghazni Khân was the last, is 23 years, while in the line of Rāja Ali Khân it is 29 years. According to the Sanskrit inscription the average for the latter is reduced to less than 26, taking the reckoning up to the death of Miran Muhammad in 1576, but for the minority of whose son Husain Khân, Rāja Âli Khân would have had no opportunity to sit on his brother's throne.

It may be noted that the visit was paid 14 years after our inscription was carved.

³ Firishta gives this as follows :---

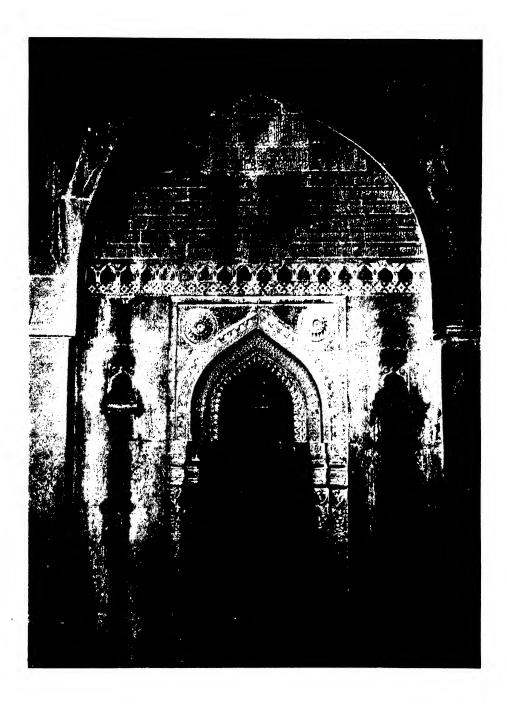
Malik Râia, the son of Khâu Jahân, the son of Alt Khân, the son of Uthmân Khân, the son of Simion Shâh, the son of Ashab Shâh, the son of Armian Shâh, the son of Ibrâhim Shâh of Baikh, the son of Âdam Shâh, the son of Ahmad Shâh, the son of Mahmud Shâh, the son of Muhammad Shâh, the son of Ashah, the son of Ashah, the son of Muhammad Ahmad, the son of the Imâm Nasir Abdulla, the son of Omar-ul-Faruq entitled Khalifâ or representative of the last of the prophets.

^{&#}x27; If anybody would assert that the Sanskrit composer might have made a mistake in understanding the genealogy, all doubts would vanish by reading the Avabic inscription on the top of the Sanskrit one reproduced in the accompanying plate. Line 3 as deciphered by Munshi Inamullah Khan, Manager of the Mosque, reads as follows: —'Adil Shah bin Muharak Shah bin 'Adil Shah bin Hasan Khan bin Qaisar Khan bin Ghazni Khan bin Malik Khan al-Farayi al 'Adil.

From my personal transcript from the original and two subsequent ones kindly supplied by Mr. B. Bal-krishna Bhâte, Headmaster, Muddle School, Burhânpur, and a photograph.

^{*} Read ेक्षर्च नम: This and the next verse are in the Anushtubh metre.

[&]quot;This and the next are in the Upajati metre.



- तत्पृतुः चितिपालमीलिमुकुटव्याघृष्टपादां वुजः सत्कीर्त्तिर्वलसस्रतापवश्रगा मित्रः चितीश्रेखरः]। " यस्याइ विश्वमानित गुँगगणातीते परे ब्रह्मणि
 त्रीमानिदलमूपित-
- 5 विजयंते भूपालचूड़ामणि: ॥५॥ स्त्रस्ति त्री संवत् १६४६ वर्षे प्राक्ते १५१९ विरोधिसंवत्वरे पौषमासे ग्रक्तपचे १० घटी २३ सहैका-दस्यां तिथी सोमे [क्त] त्रिकाचटी ३३ राष्ट्र रोडि-
- 6 एषा ग्रम घटी ४२ योगे वणिजनरणेसिन् दिने रात्रिगतघटी ११ समये नन्यासम्ब त्रीमुबारखग्राचमुतत्री ० एदस्रगाचराची मसीतिरियं निर्मिता स्वधर्मपासनार्थ ॥

TRANSLATION.

- (Line 1). Salutation to the glorious Creator of the world.
- (Verse 1). I bow down to the Imperceptible, the (All-)pervading, eternal (one who is) past (all) qualities, whose essence is mind, who is the cause of what is manifest—to that God who is both manifest and non-manifest.
- (V. 2). As long as the moon, the sun and the stars, etc., exist in the firmament, so long may this Fârukl family live happily on the face of the earth.
- (V. 3). In that family there was first the lord of Fârnkis by name Rājā Malik, whose son was king Ghazni⁵ (Khân) who was of an exalted mind, the diadem of the family.
- (V. 4). From him was (born) the hero Kaisar Khân whose son was Hasan (Khân), the lord of the earth. From him was born king Adil Shâh, whose son was lord Mubârakh.
- (V. 5). Victorious is his son, the illustrious king Âdil, the crest jewel of (other) kings, whose lotus feet are rubbed by the diadems in the crowns of kings (prostrating themselves before him), (who is) of good reputation, and whose enemies have submitted to his provess, (who is) the lord of kings (and) who bows day and night to the Supreme Being who is past all qualities.
- (Ll. 5—6). Hail! Prosperity! This mosque was built by the king Sri 76 Ådil Shah, son of the illustrious Mabarakh Shah, for fostering his own religion, in the Samvat year 1646, Saka 1511, in the Virôdhi samvatsara, in the month of Pausha, in the bright fortnight, on the 10th tithi (lasting for) 23 ghatis, followed by the eleventh tithi, on Monday, in the Krittika (nakshatra lasting for) 33 ghatis with (i.e. followed by) Rôhini in the Subha yôya lasting up to ghati 42, in the Vanija karana, at the time when 11 ghatis of the night on this day had passed and in the Kanya lagna.

2 Metre : Śārdùlavikridita.

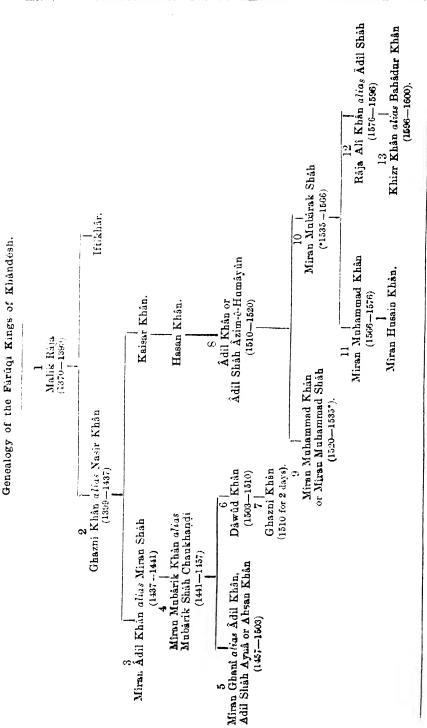
Bead Ta.

1 Read #%

¹ Read °विजयते.

⁵ This king is well-known by the name of Nasir Khân, the title which he adopted on ascending the throne, General Cunningham erroneously took Ghazat narcisah to mean King of Ghazat (see his Reports, Vol. IX., p. 117), not being aware that Ghazat was a personal name. Firishta omitted this name, but Abul Fazl has mentioned it (see Jarrett's Ain-i-Akbart, Vol. II., p. 226).

⁶ The number of *fris* written for Rajas is usually 108, but here a single figure stands for the highest number, as 6 are written for a preceptor, 5 for a master, 4 for an enemy, 3 for a friend, 2 for a servant, and 1 for a write or a son.



* This date is doubtful, Firishta being inconsistent. See Briggs' translation Vol. IV., p. 142, which gives the date of his death as A.H. 943, whereas on p. 312 A.H. 942 is given. As Bahadar Shah of Gujarat died on 14th Feb. 1537 (15td p. 141) Miran Mahammad Shah, who succeeded him also in Gujarat, was evidently living in 1937, and Muharak could not have become king before that date. N.B.-Figures on the top of names indicate the order of saccession, and those within brackets the periods of their rule.

No. 49.—NARAYANPAL STONE INSCRIPTION OF GUNDA MAHADEVI. THE SAKA YEAR 1033.

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Narayanpal is a village 23 miles north-west of Jagdalpur, the capital of the Bastar feudatory state attached to the Chhattîsgarh Division of the Central Provinces. It is situated on the right bank of the "splendidly picturesque" Indravati, one of those minor rivers of India than which none is more interesting.1 It "traverses the most untrodden regions of the peninsula. Here in the deepest recesses of the wild forests which cover the Mardian hills, is the home of the Gond races—one of the aboriginal Dravidian peoples, whose origin is indistinct; a people who still erect rude stone monuments and use stone implements, unwitting of the procession of the centuries and the advance of civilization to their borders." And yet the very place which has today all the signs of a primeval forest, may a thousand years back have compared favourably with any of the civilized provinces of those times. At least such seems to be the irresistible conclusion from the discovery of the antiquarian remains left by the forgetten Nagavanisi kings of that little known state. Nåråyanpål is one of those places which enjoyed celebrity in their times, a place to which " people of various countries resorted," and which instead of having a long row of wooden peg gods, which now adorn the village turf, possessed the temple of Narayana, "the basket of the gems of knowledge" which no doubt the residents duly picked up. The Indravati was to Bastar what the Narmada has been to India, the separating boundary between the Aryan and the Dravidian peoples. It is therefore no surprise to find all the inscriptions to the north of the Indravati written in Nagari characters, while all to the south are written in Telugu. It appears that the Nagavamsi kings, though ruling on both sides of the Indravati, had fixed that river as the ethnic or at least the linguistic boundary for the convenience of the Aryan and the Dravidian peoples under their sway. Our inscription being found in Narayanpal on the north bank of the river is therefore in Sanskrit characters. Its discovery is due to the efforts of Rai Bahâdur Pandâ Baijnâth, B.A., who kindly sent me five impressions. Another impression has since been prepared by Mr. Venkoba Rao of the Madras Archmological Survey. I have made use of all these materials for my edition. The inscription is engraved on a stone slab, standing near the temple of Narayana, to which it belongs. In this temple there is still an exquisite image of Narayana, 2' high. Above the ground the slab measures 7' 4" \times 2' 3", and the writing covers a space 5' 9" \times 2' 2", including the imprecatory figures and the additions to be referred to presently, but leaving out the top \$ri matrix. The original inscription apparently contained only 35 lines, beginning with Svasti sahaśra-phanamanı and ending with maingala mahá-śri, undernoath which the usual improcatory figures of a cow and a calf, the dagger and shield, the sun and moon and the Siva linga, the meanings of which I have elsewhere 2 explained, were carved. The additional 11 lines, marked (a), (b), (c) and (d) by me, appear to be later additions, and are either interpolations or were inserted when the ownership of the land changed hands either by succession or otherwise. They generally give the names of persons to whom the land was apparently transferred. The lines marked (a), (b), (c) have been inserted in the blank spaces between or on the sides of the imprecatory figures. Under all these a straight line has been drawn, and the four lines marked (d) have been inserted. These give the name of a queen different from the donor of the inscription proper. This may have been done when the land changed hands after the death of the original donor, when, in the ordinary course, the successor of the donor would be shown as the transferor or grantor.

¹ Imperial Gazetteer of India, Vol. I. (New Edition, 1907), page 44.

² Above, pp. 164 and 175.

The language of the inscription is Sanskrit prose, except the two imprecatory verses in lines 33 to 35, and the characters as stated before are Någari. They are boldly written but the size is not uniform throughout. While in the top line Sri-mahd, they are as big as $2\frac{1}{2}$ ", the average size in the first four lines is $1\frac{5}{8}$ ". The engravor apparently finding them too big reduced them to 1" in line 5, but in subsequent lines he again began to increase the size maintaining an average of $1\frac{1}{4}$ " throughout the rest, which forms the major portion of the inscription. In the later additions also, marked (a), (b), (c) and (d), the size varies. In (a) it is less than an inch and in (d) it is $1\frac{1}{4}$ " and in (b) and (c) midway between these two

As regards orthography, b is not distinguished from v and there is a confusion in the use of s and s; for instance, we have on the one hand Kasyapa (II. 3, 13), saramiyata (II. 6, 10, 16), sasana (II. 7, 37 (b) and 46 (d), Saka- (1. 19), -satana (1. 34), asvamedha- (1. 34), sudhyati (1. 35); on the other hand we have svarggate (1.17) and sahasra (II. 1 and 34). The anusvara is usually preferred to the class masals, though the latter are sufficiently represented throughout. Letters with a superscribed repha have been invariably doubled. The letters ksha, dha, ra, and, in most places, bha appear in their antiquated form, and the top matra for e, b and an is sometimes placed vertically before the letter to which it is attached, as in -dhanta- (1. 8), pavitrakrit tamaingi. -parthivim dra- (II. 8-9), -sanjanya- (1. 10), -sanviney-a- (1. 11), etc. In Samis rade va (1. 17) mb has the top stroke, while de has the vertical stroke preceding da. In line 23 in -sthit yududhi- the mitri of u is peculiarly attached in the middle of the letter as we at present attach it to the letter ra alone.

The inscription records the grant of the village Narayanapura to the god Narayana and some land near the Kharjuri tank to the god Lôkôśvara, and it is dated in the Śaka year 1033 on Wednesday, the full moon day of the Karttika month in the Khara samvatsara, corresponding to the 18th October 1111 A.D. The donor was Gunda Mahadevi, the chief queen of the Maharaja Dhárávarsha, the mother of Sômôśvaradéva and the grandmother of Kanharadéva, who was then ruling after the death of his father, as stated in line 17. The dynasty claims to be Nagavamsi of the Kasyapa gotra and to have a tiger with a calf as their crest and to be the lords of Bhôgâvati, the best of cities. There can be little doubt that it was connected with the Sinda family of Yelburga. The birudas of the two are strikingly similar. The Sindas also claim to be Nagavamsadbhava, born of the race of the Naga (cobra), and the lords of Bhogavatî, which city is a mythical place in the nether world. The discoveries hitherto made show the existence of the rule of the family at the diagonally opposite corners of this state, viz. south-west and northeast. I feel confident that if we could "explore the serpent city well," we should find at least a replica of it somewhere in the Nizâm's dominions in a position intermediate between these two points. The Ràmâyana seems to confirm this, for Râma's route to Lankâ lay between the two and passed through Bhôgâvatî.

As Dr. Fleet says, there appear to have been more branches than one of the Sinda family, and it appears to me that they were distinguished from each other by some variations in their crests (lāāchhanas) and banners (dhvajas, patākas or kētanas). The vyāghra-lāāchhana (tiger-crest) seems to have been common to all, probably because the original ancestor of the dynasty which received its name after him, was believed to have been brought up by the king of serpents on tiger's milk. The Bâgalkôt branch had simply the tiger crest and the phanikētana, or banner of hooded serpents. The Bastar branch, or more properly the branch represented by our inscription, had a savatsa-vyāghra-lāāchhana, or a tiger with a calf or child, thus depicting probably the story of their origin in a clearer way. The banner is not mentioned. In Bastar there were apparently two branches, the other one being that of Bhramarakôtya-man-

¹ Bomba , Gazetteer, Vol. I., Part II., p. 572.

Mysor: Inscriptions, p. 60, and above, Vol. III., p. 231.

dala, whose läächhana was dhannr-ryäghra (bow and tiger) and whose dhvaja was kamala-kadali, or lotus flower and plantain leaf. The Halavur² branch of the Banväsi tract had the vyäghra-mriga-läächhana, or crest of a tiger and a deer, and the niladhvaja, or blue banner. To judge from their titles Paraméśvara Paramahhattäraka Mahäräja, the Bastar branch appears to have been more independent than the other branches of this dynasty. But more light is likely to be thrown on the history of the family when all the inscriptions found in Bastar have been deciphered. It would therefore be premature to disease the subject here.

There is one phrase in this inscription, which to my mind appears so interesting that it should not be allowed to pass unnoticed. It is incidentally mentioned in line 32 where the land is said to be given grama-nilaya-nada-sarra-vadha-pariharana, which apparently means " free from the interference of the dwelling-group and territorial assemblies, and all other molestations." This throws a sidelight on the village communities of those days. With regard to midu, Mr. Baden-Powell's says, "All over the south of India we have traces of the midu, which was often a sort of county, and in some places there is a clearly surviving tradition of the purpose of this division. Thus in part of Madras known anciently as the Tondaimandalam, we find first a number of kuttam -the name probably indicating the fort which was the seat of the territorial chief; each of these primitive territories was afterwards reorganised into neigh and each nidu contained a number of villages (called nattum, i.e. the village site). The chief of the nadu was called nathan. In Malabar we have evidence of how these nadu divisions were governed by the nada-kuttam or assembly of representative olders out of the family groups of 'ara, of the ruling class, in each nidu." It appears from our inscription that this nida system was prevalent in Bastar and the word nilaya apparently stands for tara, the original local term for "the family aggregate" of dwellings, consisting of the houses occupied by the members with a few humbler abodes for servants and artizans." Tara is said to mean street or hamlet. The grama or village was also recognised, but apparently had no fiscal significance, boyond being a physical aggregate of clan areas with an exotic population. It will be noticed that Narayanapura is described as full of outsiders, who had come from different countries. These apparently contributed nothing to the income of the village, and in the business portion of the charter (Il. 25 to 33) we therefore find no mention of the village, but only of the land given. The names of the owners of plots occupied by the family groups have been duly enumerated, and it is they who have been enjoined to pay the rents to the temple. The transaction has been ratified by eight persons, which was probably considered a requisite number for such business. These probably formed the executive committee of the nida-kuttam or territorial assembly. As would appear from the inscription, it consisted of the pregular or minister, the karana-kuttiam or Secretary of the assembly, the bhandiri or treasurer, the saitha or priest, and four miyakas, who, as has been already shown, were chiefs of midas. One of these migakas is styled bhattamiyaka, perhaps a superior title to that of ordinary wiyakas. The mention of his name immediately after that of the minister indicates his superior position.

Our inscription mentions only one territorial name, viz. the Narayanapura village, which is certainly the present Narayanaal, where the inscription has been found, and where the temple of Narayana, to which the village was dedicated, still exists. The tank Kharjuribandha, which was apparently named after the kharjūri or wild date trees on its banks, is difficult to locate at this distance of time, as these trees live for about tifty years? only.

See above, pp. 174 and ff. Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. I., Part II., p. 577.

The Indian Village Community, p. 23I. Also nayaka; see ibid., p. 167.

Baden-Powell, Land Systems of British India, Vol. III., p. 148.

See above, p. 168 ¹⁰.
 Dr. Watt in his Economic Dictionary, Vol. VI., Part I., p. 211, says "The age of a tree (wild date) can of course be at once counted by enumerating the notches and adding six or seven, the number of years pa-sed before the first year's notch. I have counted more than 40 notches on a tree, but one rarely sees them so old as that."

TEXT.

Śrî maha.

- 1 Om¹ Svasti sahaśra(sra)-phanamani-kirana-nikar-avabha[su]-
- 2 ra-Någavamá-ôdbhava-Bhôgāvatî-puravar-êsvara-sa-
- 3 vatsa-vyaghra-lainchhana-Kasya(sya)pa-gôtra-prakati-krita-
- 4 vijaya-ghòshana-lavdha(bdha)-visva-visvambhara-paramôsvara-para-
- 5 mabhattaraka-Mahêśvara-charana-kamja-kimjalka-pumja-pimjarita-bhramarâyamâna-satya-Harischain-
- 6 dra-sa(śa)raņ-âgata-vajra-pamjara-śrimad-râjabhûshaṇa-mahârâja-**Dhârāvarshadēv**a-pād $[\hat{a}]$ -
- 7 nâri paṭṭamahâdôvì jagad-ôka-mâtâ sâ(śâ)sana-paṭṭa-dârâ nâma nâmatâ(tō)
- 8 gå-jala-[dhau]ta-parama-pavitra-krit-ôttamåingi-Dharavarsha-mahêsvar-årddhåingi-på-
- 9 [rthi]vêndra-kul-âmganâ Pârvvatî-bhâsurâ châru-Bhâ[gîra]thî parama-pativratà
- 10 châra(ru)-Araindhuti(Aruindhatî) saujanya-Saraśva(sva)ti-sa(śa)ranâgata-rakshamani va(ba) indhu-chintâmani
- 11 sauvinôy-âbhina[v]a-Sâvitri ksham-ôdâra-dharitri śrîmad-G[u]ṇḍa-mahâdévi â-
- 12 sâin putra-nâmnâ sahasra-phaṇ[â]-maoi-kiraṇa-nikar-âva[bhâ]sura-**Nêgava**ms-ô²-
- 13 dbhava-Bhôgávati-para[var-ôśva]ra-savatsa-vyûghra-lâm[chha]na-Kû[sya](śya)pa-gôtra-praka-
- 14 ţî-kṛita-[vija]ya-ghôshaṇa-[lavdha](bdha)-viśva-v[i]śvainbhara-paramêśvara paramabhaṭṭâ-
- 15 raka-Mahêsvara-charana-kamja-kimjalka-pumja-pimjarita-bhramarâyamâna-sa-
- 16 tya-Harischatudra-sa(śa)raṇ-âgata-vajra-pa[m*]jara-prati[gaṇḍa]-"bhairava-śrîmad-râya-
- 17 bhúshaṇa-mahârâja-Sômôśvaradêva(vê) śva(sva)r-ggatê tëshâṁ putrasya âsâṁ nap[tuḥ]
- 18 samasta-rājāvali-vi[rājvamā]ma-[śr]imad-vīra-Kanharadēvasya kalyāna-vijaya-rā-
- 19 jyô Saka-nripa-kāl-ātltê dasa-sata-trayat[ri]mś-ādhike³ Khara-samvatsare Kārtti-
- 20 ka-paurņņamāsyām vuddha(budha)-vā[rē] samsāra-samudr-ô[t*]tāraņa-taramdāya jā[ā*]na-ratna-karamdā-
- 21 ya svargg-àrggal-òdghâṭana-karâya śrîma[n-N]ârâyaṇa-dêvâya śrîmad-Guṇḍa-mahâd[ē]vyā
- 22 sakalum-a[n]ityam=adhruvam-asâ(śâ)śvatam drishtvâ svargg-ârggal-ödghâṭanârthê Nārāyanapuró
- 23 uâma grâmó nânâ-dêsîya-jan-[â]kîrnpas≠chamdr-ârkka-sthity-udadhi-kâlam yâvat
- 24 pradattah | tathâ śrî-Lôkôśvaradêvâya Kharjuriva(ba)mdha-samîpasthâ bhûşnih pradattâ
- 25 Śrimat-pregada Âdityamaponna bhattanayaka Prontiyo karana [Ku]driyama-
- 26 Virama nâyaka Sômana nâyaka Rûmanâkâsana nâyaka M[â]rayâ bhamdarî
- 27 Aïtana sâdhu Vakômaraya || Étêshâm bhû[miḥ] akarêna pradattâ || [Sa]-mara-srêshthi?

¹ Expressed by a symbol.

² Perhaps -danda -.

¹ Rend Saka-nripa-kal-attité daşa-taté trayastri2.

⁴ Perhaps Adityamayenna.

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[·] Perhaps Kuttiyamavirama.

⁷ Perhaps Kagarametti.



- 28 Chhâ[drû] vâmaņa¹ śrôshṭhi Ghughi Śrîdhara sâdhu Nânû kôsa[jâ] Pâlâ[su] Pâdmâsi-
- 29 nivîrâ mâlî Göi[m]dapratra² tail[i]ka [Ja]sadhavala vâvû(bâbû) Milâpi nâvêjâṇam[du]
- 30 pâlâ[ghi]kâ sa[mṛi]dâraṇa Dhavala m[â]ṇiyâ[sthi] śrî-V[â]sadêva êtair=[gṛiha-ve]-
- 31 taka-r[û]pêna śrîman-Nârayana-dêva-pâdêshu sadâ sth[â]tavyam karam cha dâtavyam
- 32 śri(1) mat-paindita-Purushôttamāya grāma-nilaya-nâḍa-sarvva-vâ(bâ)dhâ-parihârēņa chamdr-â-
- 33 rka-kâlam pradatta || Svadattâm paradattâm vâ yô harêd(rôta)=vasumdharâ[m] [|*] sa vishthâyam kri-
- 34 mî(mir) [bhû]tvû kulajai[ḥ] saha sîdati | Taḍûgânâm sahaśrê(srê)ṇa as(as)-vamêdha-sata(śatê)-
- 35 na cha [[*] gc(ga)vâm koți-pradânena bhûmi-harttâ na su(su)dhyati || Mangala mahâ sri
- 36 (a) Sûtradhâra Rapavîrâya bhûmi pradattâ
- 37 (a) akarana.
- 36 (b) Adhikâri Chhâdrûkasya bhûmi akarêna
- 37 (b) datta || Brahmau[jha]kasya bhûmi datta sasa(śasa)-
- 38 (b) nam akarèna Ma[ha]ndaka-
- 39 (b) sya tathâ [Kanharasâi]
- 40 (b) Nagak[u]la[indhya]ra ê-
- 41 (b) têshâm bhûmi aka-
- 42 (b) rêna dattâ pri(pri)thunâ
- 39 (c) Bhattara-
- 40 (c) ka Bhâva.
- 41 (c) $[d\hat{e}]$ vâya
- 42 (c) bhûmi akarêna datâ
- 43 (d) Svasti śrî-Dhârana-mahâdêvi-[varyyâ] sarvva vâ(bâ)[dhâ]-parihârêna aka[rê]-
- 44 (d) na bhûmi dattâ dèva śrì-Nârâyanasy arthê Mahanaka Dêvadâsa
- 45 (d) [Jaggatî] | Sâdhu Himasutta dê[dunanitâ ?] Lakhmana Chaudharî
- 46 (d) [śrî]- Dhâraṇa-mahâdê bhûmi [dataru ara srî dê sâsana dattâ*] bhûmi dattâ (akarêṇa

TRANSLATION.

(Lines 1—6). Hail. The patta-mahidsvi of the Mahiraja Dharavarshadeva, who was born of the Nagavanisa, resplendent with the mass of rays of thousand hood-jewels; who was the lord of Bhôgāvati, the best of towns; whose crest was a tiger with a calf; who was of the Kāsyapa gôtra; who had made his shout of victory (universally) known; who had acquired the whole earth; the Paramésvara, Paramabhattāraka; who was like a bee rendered yellow by the collection of pollen of the lotus feet of Mahôsvara; who was a Harischandra in truthfulness; who was an adamantine cage (of safe refuge) to those who sought his protection, a glorious ornament among kings;

(Ll. 7—11) (she who was) the only mother of the world, called the turbaned queen consort (chief consort); whose head was wholly sanctified by being washed in the water of the Ganges; who was (as it were) half the body of Dharavarsha (just as Pârvatî is half the body

¹ Perhaps Chhada brahmana.

Probably Govindapatra [or Govindapatra. - S. K.]

¹ This perhaps stands for datta akaréna éré-éasana-dévya datta.

- of) Mahêśvara; a noble lady of royal birth; resplendent (like) Pârvatî; beautiful (like) the Ganges; who was exceedingly devoted to her husband; a lovely Arundhatî, a Sarasvatî of goodness; an amulet for those who sought her protection; a magical gem to her relatives; a new Sâvitrî of good breeding; capable of liberal support like the earth (was) Guṇḍa-mahâdêvi.
- (Ll. 12—17). After the Mahārāja Sômēśvaradēva, who was known as her son; who was born of the Nāgavainša, resplendent with the mass of rays of thousand hood jewels; who was the lord of Bhōgâvatî, the best of towns; whose crest was a tiger with a calf; who was of the Kāsyapa gātra; who had made his shout of victory universally known; who had acquired the whole earth; the Paramēšvara, Paramabhattāraka; who was like a bee rendered yellow by the collection of pollen of the lotus feet of Mahôšvara; who was a Harischandra in truthfulness; who was an adamantine cage (of safe refuge) to those who sought his protection; who was terrible to the refractory (or, rivals), a glorious ornament amongst kings,
- (Lil. 17—24) had gone to heaven; in the auspicious and victorious reign of his son, and her grandson, the illustrious hero Kanharadèva, resplendent in the row of all kings, when (the year) ten hundred increased by thirty-throe of the ora of the Saka king had expired, in the Khara sumratsura, on the day of full moon of Karttika, on a Wednesday, the village of Narayanapura, full of people come from various countries, was given by the illustrious Gunda-mahadôvî for so long as the moon, the sun, the earth, and the ocean endure, to the glorious god Narayana, who is a ferry for crossing the ocean of transmigration, who is a basket (full) of the gems of knowledge, who opens the bolt of heaven's (door), seeing that everything is transient, unsteady and inconstant, in order to open the bolt of heaven's (door). Likewise the land near the Kharjuribandha-tank was given to the glorious god Lôkêŝvara.
- (Ll. 25—33). The illustrious minister Âdityama Penna, the bhattanâyaka Prônţiyê, the karana Kudriyama Virama!, the nâyaka Sômana, the nâyaka Râmauâkâsana, the nâyaka Mârayâ, the bhandâri Aïtana, the sâdhu Vakômarya. The land of these was given revenue free. The śrêshthin Samara, the brâhmana Chhâdrâ, the śrêshthin Ghughi, the sâdhu Śrêdhara, the kôsajā (cocoon producer) Nânâ, the mâti Pâlâsu Padmâsinivirâ, the oilman Gôvindapâtra, the bibâ Jasadhavala. Mîlâpi the glorious Vâsudêva: these chould always remain at the feet of the glorious Nârâyana as grihavotakas, and the tribute should be paid to the illustrious panţit Purushôttama. The land has been given free from all obstructions incumbent on the village, the nîlaya, and the nâţa, for so long a time as moon and sun endure. (Here follow two imprecatory verses.)
 - (L. 35). (Let) great happiness (attend). Hail.
 - (Ll. 36*-37*). Land is given to the sûtradhûra Ranavîra, free from taxes.
- (1.1. 36^h—42^h). The land of the adhikârin Chhâdrûka is given, free from taxes. (Also) that of Brahmâujhâka as a grant, free from taxes. The land of Mahandaka, Kanharasâi, and Nâgakulamdhvara is given, free from taxes.
 - (Ll. 39°-42°). To bhattaraka Bhâvadêva land is given free from taxes.
- (Ll. 43^d-46^d). Hail. The illustrious **Dhāraṇa-Mahādēvì** gave land for the sake of the god, the illustrious Nārāyaṇa free from all obstructions, and free from taxes. (Witnesses are) Mahaṇaka, Dêvadāsa, Jaggatî, the sādhu Himasutta . . . , Lakhmana. Chaüdharî. The land was given by the illustrious **Dhāraṇa-Mahādêvì** free from taxes. The land was given by the queen consort free from taxes.

We should perhaps read karana-kuttiyama Virama, Virama, the writer of the kuttam. Compare Baden-Powell, Indian Village Community, p. 167.

No. 50.—TIMMAPURAM PLATES OF VISHNUVARDHANA I. VISHAMASIDDHI.

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This short inscription is on three copper-plates which were "discovered in the ground in October 1907 by one Sukuru Ramasvami while digging a hole in his vacant house-site in the village of Timmapuram in the Sarvasiddhi-tâluka" and were sent by the Collector of the Vizagapatam district to Rai Bahadur Venkayya, who describes them as follows:-

"The plates measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ by $7\frac{7}{8}$ inches and are strong on an oval ring, the diameters of which are 27 and 3 inches. The ends of the ring are secured in the base of a nearly circular seal which measures between $1\frac{3}{8}$ and $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter. In the centre of this seal is the legend শিবিষ] মার্মিছ in the same alphabet in which the plates themselves are engraved. The third plate of the inscription is blank, and the grant itself ends in line 2 of the second side of the second plate."

The alphabet and orthography do not call for any special remarks. The final t occurs in line 1,1 the upadhmaniya in 1, 5, and the Dravidian letter la in 1, 11. The language is Sanskrit prose. The panegyrical portion (II. 1-11) is comparatively correct-probably because it was copied from a form preserved at the royal secretariat. The grant portion, however, must have been drafted by a person who knew very little Sanskrit. It contains a Prakrit word: chattallisa (l. 12) = Sanskrit chatvārimšat, and several grave grammatical blunders which I have corrected in the footnotes.

The inscription records a grant by Vishnuvardhana-Maharaja surnamed Vishamasiddhi, who was the younger brother of Satyaśraya-Vallabha-Maharaja, the son of Kirtivarman, the grandson of Ranavikrama, and the great-grandson of Ranaraga of the Cha[lu]kya family. This short pedigree establishes the identity of the donor of this grant with Vishnuvardhana I. Vishamasiddhi, the founder of the eastern branch of the Chalukya dynasty. That he was the younger brother of Satyasraya, i.e. the Western Chalukya king Pulakesin II., and the son of Kirtivarman (I.), is stated in many Eastern Chalukya inscriptions; and his grandfather Raņavikrama, i.e. Pulakėšin I., is mentioned also in his Sâtârâ plates.3 The reference to his great-grandfather Ranaraga is of some interest, because this name is known only from a few records of the Western Chalukyas.

Both Vishnuvardhana I, and his elder brother receive the title Mahárája; but the second is stated to have 'subdued the circle of the whole earth' (l. 5 f.), while the former claims only to have 'humbled the circle of all the vassals' (l. 6 f.). This distinction implies that, at the time of this grant, Vishnuvardhana I. was still a dependant of his elder brother, the Western He professed to be a worshipper of Bhagavat (1, 10), i.e. Chalukya king Pulakêsin II. Vishņu, and resided at Pishţapura (l. l.), the modern Piţhapuram in the Godavarî district. In the Aihole inscription4 the capture of this fortress is ascribed to his elder brother and sovereign Pulakésin II.

The grant portion differs from that of other records in two respects. It lacks at the end the usual imprecations and other particulars, and the donees are not mentioned by name, but simply stated to have been forty Brâhmanas of the Chhandôga school. The object of the grant was some land at Kumûlûra-a village which I am unable to identify-in the Palaki-vishaya.

¹ See note 6 on p. 318.

² This surname occurs both in line 8 and on the seal of the present grant. It forms also the legend of certain copper coins discovered in the Vizagapatam district; see Ind. Ant. Vol. XXV. p. 322 f.

Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 309.

Above, Vol. VI. p. 11, verse 27.

The same district seems to be referred to in the Chîpurupalle plates of Vishnuvardhana I., where the name has been read doubtfully as 'Pûki-vishaya;' but, if the facsimile can be trusted, the engraver has written in reality Plaki-vishayê, which may be meant for Palaki-vishayê.

TEXT.3

First Plate.

स्वस्ति⁴ ॥

- 1 'श्रीमत्पष्टपुरवासकात्' स्वभुजविजितदनुतनयम्(ा) हासेनेन म्(क्रहा-
- 2 मेनेनाभिवर्षितानान्त्रिभुवनमातृभिमातिभिरिभरिचतानां मानव्यस[गो]-
- 3 त्राणां [इा]रितिपुत्राणां "चक्यानामन्वयसुत्रमियतुमसकदनु[भू]-
- 4 "तरणरागस्य रणरागस्य 1ºनप्तामश्चविक्रमस्य रणविक्रमस्य पौिचो
- 5 विपुत्तकीर्त्ते: कीर्त्तिवर्भण×प्रियसुत: ग्राह्मत्रयविश्वत्रतसकलमहीम-11
- एडलस्य मत्य[ा*]त्रयवक्षभमद्वाराजस्य प्रियानुनः स्वासिधार[ा]नामित[स]-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 7 मस्तमामन्तमण्डलः खरूपगुणयीवनत्रीया दूरमितग्र[यित]-
- अ मकरध्वज: खलजलादिदुरगीविषमेष्विप लन्धिसिद्धित्वादिषमितिहर[त्थि]-
- 9 जन(:)[नि]त्यप्रस्नुतकामधेनुः लोकातिशयविक्रमतया नरलोक[वि]-
- 10 [क्र]म[:]¹³ परसभागवतः परमब्रद्धाण्यो मातापितृपादानुद्या[ा*]तः श्रीबिष्णु-वर्द्य[त्र]-
- 11 म(ा) हाराज: (॥) पर्ञितविषये (।¹⁴) सुमूलूरनामग्रामे पूर्विदिशे 16 होचे च-
- 12 [त्वा]रि सम्मनिव[र्भ]नानि 16 छेटं कत्वा (।) [पोटुनूङ्]व[1*]स्तव्याय(1^{17} चभ[1]लीस

From two sets of ink-impressions received from Rai Bahadur Venkayya.

- 4 This word is entered on the left margin of plate i. opposite the beginning of line 4. The sign of punctuation after it runs into the following akshara %; it resembles in shape the symbol called in Tamil Pillaiyar-inli.
 - The f of সী is obliterated.
- ⁶ The final t of °वासकात् is entered at the top of the next akshara स. Another final t is entered at the top of the ₹ of the preceding word 'पुर°; perhaps the writer wanted us to read 'पुरात्.
- 7 The three aksharas सात्रिभ are engraved over रिभर, which was evidently done because they had been originally omitted through an oversight of the engraver.
 - 8 Read चलुका⁰. 8cc note 4 shove.
 - 10 The न is engraved over भा; compare note 7 above. 11 Read विशेष. 12 Read ेशिया.
- 12 The क्र seems to be engraved over a म; compare notes 7 and 10 above. Instead of विक्रम; I suspect
 - 14 This mark of punctuation runs into the next akehara कु. 15 Read विद्या 16 Read निवर्त्तनसङ्गाणि
- 17 Read वासान्येश्वयश्वारिभते ब्राह्मणेश्वी नानागीचेश्वयक्त्रहोगसब्ब्राचारिश्वी यमनियमपरिश्वः घट्कन्यनिर्तेश्वी बदपारगिथी दत्तवान् ॥

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 16, text line 13.

² Dr. Burnell's South-Ind. Pal., 2nd ed., Plate xxvii.

From ink-impressions supplied by Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya.

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Second Plate; Second Side.

13 ब्राह्मण: नानागच छन्दीगसब्रह्मचारिण यमनियमपारगाय घट्ट[र्म्म]- 14 निरताय(ा) वेदपारगाय दक्तः [\mathfrak{n}^*]

TRANSLATION.

- Hail! (Line 1.) From (his) residence in the prosperous Pishṭapura,—the great-grandson! of Raṇarāga, who repeatedly indulged in the passion of fighting in order to elevate the family of the Cha[lu]kyas, who were Hâritiputras, who belonged to the götra of the Mânavyas, who were protected by the Mâtris, the mothers of the three worlds, (and) who were rendered prosperous by Mahâsêna,² who by his own arm had defeated the great army of the sons of Danu; ³
- (1. 4.)—the grandson of Ranavikrama, whose valour was insuperable; the dear son of Kirtivarman, whose renown was extensive; (and) the dear younger brother of Saty[a]śraya-Vallabha-Mahārāja, who had subdued the circle of the whole earth by the triad of (regal) powers;
- (L. 6.)—the devout worshipper of Bhagavat, the very pions one, who meditated at the feet of (his) mother and father,—\$\forall ri-Vishnuvardhana-Maharaja, who by the edge of his own sword humbled the circle of all the vassals, who by the splendour of his own beauty, virtues and youthfulness far surpassed Cupid, who (was surnamed) Vishamasiddhi because he had obtained success (siddhi) in impassable straits (vishama) on land, on sea, etc., who was a cow of plenty (kômadhôm) constantly yielding milk to suppliants, (and) who was the |Tri]vikrama (Vishim) of the world of mon because his valour surpassed (that of all) mankind;
- (L. 11.)—has granted four thousand nivartamas⁵ in the fields on the eastern side of the village named Kumûlûra in the Palaki district (vishaya), having portioned (them) off, to forty Brâhmanas of various gôtras, residing in [Poṭunûṅka], belonging to the school of the Chhandègas observing the greater and smaller rules, engaged in the six duties, (and) familiar with the Vida.

No. 51.— SARNATH INSCRIPTION OF KUMARADEVI.

By STEN KONOW.

The slab on which the inscription published below is incised was found during the excavations carried on by Mr. Marshall and myself in Sârnâth, in March 1998. It was dug out to the north of the Dhamêkh $st\hat{a}pa$, to the south of the raised mound running east and west over the remnants of the old monasteries of the Gupta period. The writing covers almost the whole of the surface of the stone, viz, $21'' \times 15\frac{1}{2}''$, and it is in a perfect state of preservation. The average size of the letters is $\frac{1}{4}''$.

The characters are Någarî, of a very ornamental type, and the engraving has been done with considerable skill. Of individual letters, the form of the cerebral ta in -bhatah and kandapatikah in line 8 is worthy of notice. There are comparatively few orthographical peculiarities. V is used for b throughout, and ha is used instead of the anuscara in sudhahsis. line 11. There are some few miswritings such as harmmal- for dharmmal-, 1. 6; prakshatê for prakhyatê, 1. 8; vishmayakarê for vismaya- and =ashmadrisaih for =asmadrisaih, 1. 13; =nênrabhirûma- for -nêtr-, 1. 15; nri- for tri-, 1. 22; mahibhajah for mahibhujah, 1. 19, etc. The forms Kumaradêvi,

¹ For other instances in which naptri has this meaning, see above, Vol. IV. p. 329 and note 2.

¹ Le. the god of war.

I I.c. the Dânavas or demons

⁴ Literally, 'the bearer of the makara-banner.'

b This would give 100 nivartanas for each of the 40 donces.

11. 11 and 22, and viháró in 11. 23 and 26, on the other hand, are vouched for by the metre. Kumara instead of kumára is common in Måhåråshtrî Pråkrit, and a form Kumaravála for the usual Kumárapála occurs in Hêmachandra's Děšinámamálá, 1. 104, 88. And víhára instead of vihára is justified by Pâṇini VI, 3. 122.

The language is Sanskrit, and, with the exception of the invocation to Vasudhârâ in 1. 1, the whole of the inscription is in verse. There are altogether twenty-six verses. Of these thirteen (Nos. 3, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23 and 24) are in the Sârdûlavikrîdita, five (Nos. 1, 10, 14, 15 and 20) in the Mâlinî, four (Nos. 4, 16, 22 and 25) in the Vasantatilakâ; three (Nos. 8, 9 and 26) in the Anushtubh, and one (No. 2) in the Sragdharâ metre.

The object of the inscription is to record the construction of a vihira by Kumaradevi. one of the queens of Govindachandra of Kanauj. The wording of verses 21-23, in which her gift is mentioned, is not quite clear. We are first told, in verse 21, that a vihara was constructed, which apparently contained an image of the goddess Vasudhara. The following verses are not quite clear. Rai Bahadur V. Venkayya has suggested the following explanation. which I think is a very plausible one. Jambukî drew up a copper-plate, in which she represented to Kumaradêvî that the Dharmachakra-Jina originally set up by Dharmâsôka required to be repaired or set up again. This copper-plate must have contained information about the original setting up of the Dharmachakra-Jina and further details about its maintenance and repairs. Kumaradêvî, who was apparently a stranger to the country round Benares, accepted her representation and raised her to the rank of "the foremost of pattalikûs," Moreover, she restored the Jina or set up a new one and placed it in the vihita built for Vasudhara, or in another one constructed for the purpose, and the wish is expressed that, after having been placed there, he may remain there for ever. It seems necessary to infer that the Sridharmachakra-Jina, which is said to have existed in Dharmasoka's time, was an image of the Buddha, and that the rihâra built by the orders of Queen Kumaradêvî for him, was a shrine, a gandhakuşî. It is difficult to explain the wish that he, i.e. the image, may reside there for ever, under any other supposition.

The inscription can be divided into four parts. After an invocation of Vasudhārā (v. 1) and the moon (v. 2) vv. 3-6 give some information about some rulers or generals of Piţhi or Piţhikā. We learn that, in the lunar race, there arose a chief called Vallabharāja, the lord of broad Piţhikā (v. 3). The following verse introduces the lord of Piţhî Dêvarakshita, without saying anything about his relationship to Vallabharāja. He is described as the full moon of the lotus of the Chhikkôra-vamśa, and we are told that he even surpassed Gajapati in splendour. Dêvarakshita is again referred to as the lord of Piţhî in the second part of the inscription, and it therefore seems necessary to interpret vv. 5-6, which apparently refer to a son of his (tasmād-āsa, etc.) as an explanation of his relationship to Vallabharāja, who would then be his father.

The second part of the inscription, vv. 7-13, contains the information that Dêvarakshita was defeated by Mahana, the maternel uncle of the Gauda king, who thus firmly established the throne of Rāmapāla, and subsequently bestowed his daughter Sankaradevi on the Pîthî lord. Their daughter was Kumaradevi, in whose praise the present inscription was written.

The third part, vv. 14-20, then contains the genealogy of the Gahadavala family, to which Kumaradêvî's husband Gôvindachandra belonged. It agrees with the list given in most inscriptions of this latter king, but does not carry us further back than to his grandfather. We are first introduced to Chandra, the Chandradêva of Gôvindachandra's inscriptions. His son

¹ See Pischel, Grammatik der Prakrit-Sprachen § 81.

Paltalika is the feminine form of pattalaka, which occurs in the Buguda plates of Mådhavavarman, above, Vol. III. p. 44, 1, 33, in connexion with vaiseasika.

was Madanachandra, elsewhere known as Madanapâla, who again was the father of Gövindachandra. He is said to have saved Bouares from the wicked Turushka-soldier.

The fourth part of the inscription (verses 21-23) specifies the gifts of Kumaradêvî, and her praise is sung in verse 24. Verses 25-26 then inform us that the inscription, which is here called a *prašasti*, was composed by the poet *śri*-Kunda, and engraved by Vāmana.

Gövindachandra is the well-known king of Kanauj, whose inscriptions are dated between A.D. 1114 and 1154. Our inscription teaches us that he guarded Benares against the Turushkas, i.e. the Muhammadans. We do not know of any Muhammadan expedition against Benares in Gövindachandra's time. In A.D. 1033 a Muhammadan army under Ahmad Niâltigîn arrived at the town, but only stayed there for a day, ¹ and there is no indication of a permanent settlement. We know, on the other hand, that Mussalman settlers remained in the country about the Jamna from the days of Mahmud and down to the end of the 12th century. ² It seems probable that Gövindachandra took some action against such settlers, and the term turushkadauda, which occurs in many of his and his predecessors' inscriptions, gives us a hint as to the nature of this action. The word turushkadauda has been variously translated as "tax on aromatic reeds" and "Muhammadan ameroements." ³ The information furnished by our inscription seems to show that it was in reality a tax on Muhammadans, the exact nature of which cannot, however, be determined.

Onr inscription introduces us to a new queen of Gôvindachandra, Kumaradêvî, the grand-daughter of Mahana. Three other queens are already known from inscriptions, viz. Nayanakêli-dêvî, Gôsaladêvî and Dâlhanadêvî. While Gôvindachandra was himself an orthodox Hindû, his fourth wife Kumaradêvî was a Buddhist. According to information kindly supplied by Mahâmahôpâdhyâya Hara Prasâd Śâstrî, the king had still another Buddhist wife Vâsantadêvî, who is mentioned in the colophon of a manuscript of the Ashtasâhasrikê in the Nepal Darbar Library (No. 381 of the third collection). The colophon runs:—śri-śri-Kâayakubj-âdhipaty-aśvapati gajapati-narapati-râjya-trayâdhipati-śrimad-Gôvindachandradêvasya pratâpavaśatah râjuî-śripravara-Mahâyâna-yâyinyâh paramôpâsikê-râjñê-Vâsantadêvyâ dêyadharnmô-yam It is possible that Vâsantadêvî and Kumaradêvî are one and the same person, one of the meanings of vâsanta being "youth" = kumâra. It is, however, more probable that they are two different persons.

Some information about Mahana, the father of Kumaradêvî's mother, and about the lord of Pîthî, her father, can be gleaned from Sandhyâkara Nandi's Râmacharita, which work has been brought to light by Mahâmahôpâdhyâya Hara Prasâd Śâstrî. We are there told that Mahana was the maternal uncle of the Ganda king Râmapâla. Vigrahapâla, the father of Râmapâla, made a successful war against the Chôdi king Karna of Dâhâla, of whom we possess an inscription dated Kalachuri Samvat 493=A.D. 1042. Karna's reign probably extended over a long period. We cannot, therefore, determine when the war against Vigrahapâla took place. We have an inscription of the time of Vigrahapâla's grandfather Mahîpâla, dated A.D. 1026. and Mahîpâla's son Nayapâla reigned at least 15 years. Vigrahapâla's accession cannot, therefore, be placed earlier than A.D. 1041. His son Râmapâla, who was preceded on the throne by two brothers Mahîpâla II. and Śûrapâla, was a contemporary of

¹ See H. M. Elliot, The History of India as told by its own Historians, Vol. II. 1869, pp. 112 and ff.

² Ibid., pp. 250 and ff.

² See Führer, Journal Bengal Society, Vol. LVI. Pt. I. p. 113.

Above, Vol. IV. p. 108. Kielhorn, Northern List, Nos. 127 and 131.

[•] See Führer, loc. cit. p. 115, 1. 19.

⁷ Proceedings of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, 1900, pp. 70 and ff.

Kielhorn, Northern List, No. 407. See Kielhorn, above, Vol. II. pp. 302 and ff.

Wielhorn, Northern List, No. 59.

¹¹ Ibid, No. 642.

Sankaradêvî, the mother of Gôvindachandra's queen Kumaradêvî. It therefore seems probable that Vigrahapâla's accession should be placed about A.D. 1050, and Râmapâla's reign in the last part of the eleventh century. Mahana, Sankaradevi's father, would then be a contemporary of both of them. The Ramacharita, which calls him Mathana or Mahana, states that he was a Râshţrakûţa, and the maternal uncle of Râmapâla. It therefore becomes probable that Vigrahapala married a Rashtrakûta princess in addition to the daughter of the Chedi king Karna who was, according to the Râmacharita, given to him after the war alluded to above. Mahana was Ramapala's right hand, and was of great assistance in the war against Bhlma. Among the feudatories of the Pâla king in that war, the Râmacharita mentions Vîraguņa, the râja of Pithî who is described as the lord of the south. Devarakshita of Pithi is also mentioned, but not as a feudatory. He must be identical with the Dêvarakshita of our inscription, and it becomes probable that the Pithi ruler Vîraguna had originally stood on Râmapâla's side, while Dêvarakshita later on rose against him. He hailed from Pîthî or Pîthikâ, which according to the Râmacharita was situated in the south. Now pithi or pithika is synonymous with pitha, and it is therefore possible that Pithi is identical with Pithapuram. I We know that a branch of the Eastern Chalukyas reigned in Pithapuram in the second half of the twelfth century, and that the town had already been conquered by Pulikôsin II. No historical information is forthcoming about the earlier Chalukya princes of the Pithapuram branch. The real history of the family only seems to begin with Vijayaditya III., whose coronation took place A.D. 1158.2 It should also be noted that the genealogy given in the Pithapuram inscriptions hardly can be correct. Mr. Sewell has drawn my attention to the fact that only four generations are commerated between Bêta, who reigned in A.D. 925, and Vijayâditya III., who was crowned in A.D. 1158.

Before this branch became established in Pithâpuram, the place was one of the strongholds of the Vêûgî province of the Eastern Chalukyas. In the last part of the 11th century, the reigning king was Kulôttuûga Chôḍadêva, who first was ruler in Vêûgî but who in A.D. 1070 was anointed to the Chôḍa kingdom. Vêûgî was then ruled by viceroys, first by his uncle Vijayâditya VII. then by his sons Râjarâja (1077-78) and Vîra Chôḍa (from 1078). Mr. Venkayya suggests that this latter viceroy may be identical with the Vîraguṇa of the Râmapalacharita. Dêvarakshita was then probably a general under the viceroy of Vêûgî. He is said to have surpassed even the glory of Gajapati. As this epithet is used by some of the Eastern Gañgas, it is possible that it here refers to Anantavarman Chôḍagaṅga. The Kaliṅgattu Paraṇñ describes an expedition undertaken by Kulôttuṅga I. against this king, and Dêvarakshita may have played a rôle in it. We do not know anything about the Chhikkôra family, to which Dêvarakshita belonged.

The marriage of Dévarakshita's daughter to king Gôvindachandra perhaps accounts for the relationship between the Chôlas and the Gâhadavâlas commented on by Mr. Venkayya in his Annual Report for 1907-08, para. 58 and ff. An incomplete Gâhadavâla inscription has recently been found immediately after a record of Kulòttungadêva of A.D. 1110-11, in Gangaikondachôlapuram, which it is tempting to being into connexion with Gôvindachandra's marriage. Mr. Venkayya carries the acquaintance of the Gâhadavâlas with the Chôla kings farther back to the expedition of Râjêndra Chôla towards the kings on the banks of the Ganges, mentioned in the Tiruválangâdu plates, and it seems very probable that this expedition led to the establishment of friendly relations with the north. Among the princes conquered by Râjêndra Chôla was Dharmapâla of Daṇdabhukti, and the lord of Daṇdabhukti figures amongst the fendatory kings who, according to the Râmapâlacharita, assisted Râmapâla in his war against Bhîma.

¹ Compare the forus Pithapura and Pithapuri, above, Vol. IV. p. 87, 357. Note 4.

² See Hultzsch, above, Vol. IV, p. 223.

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX p 329 ff.

The relationship between the various persons mentioned in our inscription will be seen from the table which follows:--

Mahana, of the Rashtrakûta Chandra, of the Gahadavâla Vallabharâja of Pîthî family. family. Śankaradovi. Madanachandra. Davarakshita, married Kumaradêvî, married Govindachandra.

According to verse 25, the inscription was composed by Kunda, who describes himself as a lion to the tirthika-elephants, a Rôhana mountain, full of the splendid gems of poetical composition, a poet in eight bhashas, and an intimate friend of the king of Vanga. He is not elsewhere known. His name does not occur in the Saduktikarnûmrita, 1 nor, so far as I know, in any other anthology. The engraver was the silpin Vamana.

TEXT.

- 1 भी² नमी भगवत्वे भार्यवसुधाराये ॥ ³समवतु वसुधारा धर्मपीयुषधारा-प्रश्नमितवहविश्वीहामदु:खोरुधारा । धनकनकसमृद्धिं भूभृवः श्वः किरसी तद-
- खिलजनदैन्यान्याजयन्ती जगन्ति ॥ [१*] ⁶नेत्रैकलाखितानां चरणमपनयंया-कचन्द्रोपलानामानग्रस्थिमिभिन्दन् सङ् कुमुदवनीमुद्रया मानिनीनाम् । दाधन्दाधेयरेणा[मृ]-
- तिनकरकरैर्जीवयन् कामदेवं काम्सीयं कौसुदीनां स जयित जगदालीकदीप-प्रदीप: ॥ [२*] वंशे तस्य नमस्यपौरुषज्ञुषि प्रस्मारकोर्त्तितिषि द्राक् शीचेन स[राप]-
- गासदम् प्रत्यर्थिलस्मीरुपि । वीरी वज्जभराजनामविदितो भमीभुजां जेतासीत्वयपीठिकापतिरतिपीढप्रतापीदयः ॥ [३*] 'किकोरवंशकु-मदोदयपूर्ष-
- 5 चन्द्रः श्रीदेवरचित इति प्रथितः पृथिव्याम । पीठीपतिर्मजपतेरपि राज्य-लक्सी लक्स्या जिगाय जगदेकमनोच्चित्री: ॥ [४*] "तसादास पयोनि-धेरिव विध-
- 6 क्रीवख्यलक्कीविधुनेंत्रानन्दससुद्रवर्धनविधुः कीर्त्तिद्युतिश्रीविधुः । सीजन्यैकनिधिः . स्फरइणनिधिर्गास्त्रीर्थवाराविधिर्धर्माहैतनिधिः "स च[ण्डि]म-
- ग्रस्त्रैकविद्यानिधि: ॥ [५*] ¹⁰दीनानामभित्राञ्कितैकफसदः कल्पदुमो दृष्यदेशिगरीन्द्रभेदनविधौ दुर्वारवज्रस य: । कान्तान[ा*]म्मद-

5 Metre : Sragdharâ.

Rajendra Lala Mitra's Notices of Sanskrit Manuscripts, Vol. III. pp. 134 and ff. Expressed by a symbol

Metre: Malini.

^{*} Read 碼:. 7 Metre: Vasantatilakâ.

[&]quot; Metre : Sardalavikridita.

[·] Metre: Sårdûlavikridita.

¹⁰ Metre : Sardalavikridita.

- सिद्धीषधीयज्ञवी 8 नज्बरोपश्रमने वाइर्यस्य वभूव भूतलभुजामन्तसमलारिक [६*] ¹गीडेद्दैतभट: सकाण्डपटिक: चनैकचुडामणि:
- चितिभुजामाम्योभवनातुनः । त(तं) जिला तमधात श्रीरामपालस्य यो लच्छीं निर्जितवैरिरोधनतया दयाम ॥ [७*] अतन्या सङ्ग्-
- देवस्य तस्य कन्येव भूसतः । सा पीठीपतिना तेन तेनेवोढा स्वयभू(भु)वा [c*] 'ख्याता ग्रङ्करदेवीति तारेव करुणागया । व्यजेष्ट कस्पद्वचाणं टानीद्यमेन 11 [2*] या
- क्रमरदेवी इन्त देवीव ताभ्यां प्ररदमलसुधाङ्गीयाक्लेखेव रम्या । दुरितजलिधमध्याक्रोकसुदर्भुकामा स्वयमिष्ठ कर्षणार्चा तारिणीवावतीर्सा ॥ [80#]
- ⁶याम्रेधाः प्रविधाय शिल्परचनाचातुर्थ्यदर्पे व्याधादाद्वक्रोण जितल्तुवारिकरणी 12 च्रीणः स खस्योभवत् । रातावुद्रममातनीति मखिनो जातः कलङ्को ततस्त-
- 13 स्थाः मुद(सुन्द)रिमा स 'विषायकरो वाचः 'किमणादृशैः ॥ [१९*] 'चित्र-चचलदृक्षुरङ्गमवधूवन्धस्पुरद्वागुराम् विभ्नाणा तनुसम्पदम्पृविलसत्कान्याभिकान्त-
- खेलस्वीरसमुद्रसान्द्रलङ्रीलावखलस्त्रीमुषं मोषं ग्रैलसुतामदस्य दधती सीभाग्य-गर्वण सा ॥ [१२*] "धर्माद्वैतमतिर्गुणाद्वितरतिः प्रारव्यपुर्णाचिति-
- र्दानोदारप्टतिर्मतङ्गजगतिर्नेत्रा(त्रा)भिरामाक्ति: गास्तुन्यस्त नितजनो दितन्तिः ¹²कारु खके लिस्थितिनित्यश्रीवसतिः कता घविद्वतिः स्कायहुणा हंक-
- ति: ॥ [१३*] ¹³जगित गञ्चडवाले चत्रव(वं)श्रे प्रसिद्धेजनि नरपतिचन्द्रसन्द्र(मा)-नामा नरेन्द्र: । यदसङ्गनृपाणाङ्गामिनीवाष्यवाष्ट्रे:(चै:) श्रितितरमिदमासीद्या-मुन(नं) तू(नू)नमभः ॥ [१४*] 14न-
- पतिमदनचन्द्रथण्डभूपालचूडामणिरलनि स तसाहिभदेकातपत्र[म्*] तलमनलप्रीटतेडो(जो)नलुत्री: त्रियमपि च मघीन: श्रि*] ¹⁸वाराण-
- सीं भुवनरचणदच एको ''दुष्टान्तुरुष्कसुभटादवितुं इरेण पुनरत्न वभूव तस्माहोविन्दचन्द्र इति प्रधिताभिधानः कामदुष्टां कणा-

¹ Metre : Śardûlavikridita.

[·] Metre: Anushtubh.

^т Read विसाय[ः].

² Read प्रस्थाती.

Metre: Målinf.

⁸ Read ⁰मसाहर्थे .

Metre : Anushtubh.

Metre : Sårdúlavikridita.

[•] Metre : Sårdûlavikridita.

¹⁰ The sign of interpunctuation has been engraved in the beginning of next line. 11 Metre: Śardúlavikridita.

¹² Read °मतिर्ज ° स्थितिर्जि .

¹⁸ Metre : Mâlinf.

¹⁴ Metre: Mâlint. " Metre : Sårdúlavikridita.

¹⁸ Metre : Vasantatilaka.

¹⁶ Read दुष्टाम् 0.

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- 19 निष पयःपूरस्य 'पातु न ते चित्रं प्रागन्तभन्त याचकमनःसन्तीषनित्यव्ययात्। त्यागैर्यस्य 'मडीभूजः प्रमुदिते तद्याचकानाच्चये स्वच्छन्दाहितनित्यनिर्भरपयः-
- 20 पानीत्सवैरासते ॥ [१७*] ³यिहदेषिमहीभुजां पुरवरे प्रश्नष्टहारावलीर्थ्याधास्त्रन्मृग-पाश्चवस्थमनसा गन्नन्ति नैव श्रमात् । व्याधाः स्रस्तमुवर्षेकुण्डलमिह-श्रात्या
- 21 तदत्यायतेर्दण्डेर्द्रागपसारयन्ति च भयप्रोत्सम्पिइस्तस्त्रजः ॥ [१८*] वयस्योत्सन्नवि• रोधिभूपतिपुरपासादपृष्ठोपरि प्रत्ययस्परद्यग्राष्यक्रवलव्यालीलवानि-
- 22 व्रज: । चादित्यस्वभवतः मन्यर्रथयन्द्रोपि मन्दोभवत् घासग्रासिवकृदलोभञ्चरिण्ह रचन् पतन्तन्ततः ॥ (१८*) "चण्डण कुमरदेवी तेन र[ा*]न्ना प्रसिद्धा नि-(ति)जगति
- 23 परिगीता श्रीरिवेडाच्युतेन । प्रविलमदवरोधे तस्य राज्ञोङ्गनानां नियतममृत-रक्षोलेंखिका तारकास ॥ [२०*] वीडारी नवखण्डमण्डलमहीडारः क्रतीय-न्तया
- 24 तारिष्या वसुधारया ननु वपुर्विभाण्यालंकतः । यं दृष्ट्वा प्रविचित्रशिष्यरच-नाचातुर्थ्यसीमात्रयं गीर्वाणै: सुदृश[च्च] विस्नयमगाहाग्वित्रकर्मापि सः ।(॥) [२१*] "श्रीधर्मचक्रजि-
- 25 नशासनसिवधं सा जम्बुकी ⁹ सकलपत्तिलवाग्रभूता । तत्तास्त्रशासनवर(रं) प्रविधाय तस्यै दला तया श्रश्रिरवी भुवि यावदास्ताम् ॥ [२२*]

 10 धर्माश्रोकनराधिपस्य समये श्रीध-
- 26 म(मी)चक्रो जिनो यादृक् तन्नयरचितः पुनरयञ्चक्रे ततीयब्रुतम् । वीद्वारः स्थितरस्य तस्य च तया यबादयङ्कारितस्तिस्त्रचेव समर्प्णितय वसतादा- चन्द्रचण्डद्यति ॥ [२३*] "तत्कीर्त्तिम्प-
- 27 रिपालियश्वित जनो यः किसदुर्वीतले सा तस्याङ्गियुगप्रणामपरमा यूयं जिनाः साचिणः । तस्याः किसदिनिश्वितो यदि यशोव्यालोपकारी खनः तं पापीयसमा-
- 28 ग्र गासित पुनस्ते लोकपालाः क्रुधा ॥ [२४*] ¹³ एकस्तीर्धिकवादिवारणघटा-सङ्क्ष्माछीरवः साहित्यो[ज्*]ज्वलरत्नरोहणगिरियी ग्राप्टभाषाकविः । स्थातो वक्रमहीभजः ¹³

¹ Read पातुं.

² Rend OH司:

Metre : Sårdûlavikridita.

⁴ Metre: Sårdûlavikridita.

FRead "भवदास". वेददलीभद्रारणं.

[•] Metre : Mâlinî.

Metre: Śārdúlavikridita.
 Metro: Śārdúlavikridita.

Metre: Vasantatilaka.

Metre: Śārdūlavikrīdita.

[•] Read 'पत्तिका'.
18 Metre: Śārdúlavikridita.

¹⁸ Read 'भुज:; the final visarga has been engraved in the beginning of line 29.

29 प्रणयभू: श्रीकृन्दनामा क्ति तस्या: सुन्दरवर्षगुम्फरचनारम्यां प्रश्नस्तिं व्यधात् ॥ [२५*] 'एषा प्रश्नस्तिकत्वीर्षा वामनेन तु शिल्पिना । राजावर्त्तस्य सापत्न्यन्दधाने प्रस्तरीत्तमे ॥ [२६*]

TRANSLATION.

Hail. Obeisance to the exalted noble Vasudhara.

- (V. 1.) May Vasudhārā protect the worlds, who abates the broad stream of unlimited miscry in the manifold universe by the nectar stream of !dharma; who pours out riches of wealth and gold over earth, skies and heaven, and who conquers all the miscry of man in them.
- (V. 2.) Victorious be that lover of the lotuses, the flashing torch for the illumination of the world, who causes oozing of the lovely moon-gems and (brings tears into) the eyes of longing people; who opens the knot of pride in haughty damsels and also the closed lotuses; who with his nectar-filled beams revives the god of love, who was burnt to askes by Îśvara, (who had been) smitten (by him).
- (V. 3.) In his (the moon's) lineage, which enjoys a valour worthy of homage; which is resplendent with shining fame; which speedily annihilates the pride of the river of the gods by its purity; which destroys the splendour of its adversaries, was a hero, known by the name of Vallabharaja, honoured among princes, the victorious lord of broad Pithika, of increasing mighty provess.
- (Vv. 4-5.) The full moon expanding the lotuses of the Chhikkôra family, known on earth as śri-Dévarakshita, the lord of Pithî (who) surpassed even the splendour of Gajapati by his splendour; whose glory alone ravished the hearts of the world, was descended from him (Vallabharâja), as the moon from the ocean, a (veritable) Vishnu (Vidhu), to the Lakshmî of beauty; a (veritable) moon in causing the rise of the ocean, viz. ocular pleasure (as the moon raises the ocean); a second moon, the lustre of whose light was his fame (or, a second Vishnu with Śrî in the shape of the lustre of his fame); an incomparable treasure of goodness; a treasure of resplendent virtues; an ocean of profundity; a peerless store of religion; a store of energy, the only depository of the lore of arms;—
- (V. 6.) Who was the veritable colestial tree in bestowing desired objects on supplicants; who was an irresistible thunderbolt in accomplishing the splitting of the mighty mountains, viz. his haughty foes; a marvellous man, whose arm was like a sprout of a marvellous herb in healing the fever of Capid in enamoured women, and death to kings.
- (V. 7.) In the Gauda country there was a peerless warrior, with his quiver,³ this incomparable diadem of kshatriyas, the Anga king Mahana, the venerable maternal nucle of kings. He conquered Dêvarakshita in war and unintained the glory of Râmapâla, which rose in splendour because the obstruction caused by his foes was removed.
- (V. 8.) The daughter of this Mahanadêva was like the daughter of the mountain (i.e. Parvatî); she was married to the lord of Pîthî as (Pârvatî) to Svayambhu;
- (V. 9.) She was known as Sankaradevi, full of morey like Tara, and she excelled the creepers of the wishing tree in her efforts to make gifts.
- (V. 10.) To them, forsooth, was born Kumaradévi, like a dévi, lovely like the charming streak of the spotless autumnal moon, as if Târiņî herself, prompted by compassion, had descended to earth with a wish to free the world from the ocean of misory.

¹ Metre: Anushtubh. 2 Mr. Venknyya suggests to read dainyat-tyájayantt.

^{*} The meaning of kandaparska is uncertain. The word is usually translated 'screen.' But this meaning does not suit the context.

- (V. 11.) After having created her, Brahma was filled with pride at his own eleverness in applying his art; excelled by her face the moon, being ashamed, remains in the air, rises at night, becomes impure and subsequently full of spets; how can this her marvellous beauty be described by people like us?
- (V. 12.) She, who in a wonderful way possesses a beautiful body, which is a glittering net for entrapping female antelopes, viz. the moving eyes, and which robs the wealth of beauty of the dense waves of the playful milky ocean by her brilliant charm of lovely splendour; who does away with the infatuation of the daughter of the mountain (i.e. Parvat) by her proud grace.
- (V. 13.) Her mind was set on religion alone; her desire was bent on virtues; she had undertaken to lay in a store of merit; she found a noble satisfaction in bestowing gifts; her gait was like that of an elephant; her appearance charming to the eye; she bowed down to the Buddha, and the people sang her praise; she took her stand in the play of commiseration, was the permanent abode of luck, annihilated sin, and took her pride in abundant virtue.
- (V. 14.) In the royal Gahadavâla lineage, famous in the world, was born a king, Chandra by name, a moon (chandra) among rulers. By the streams of tears of the wives of the kings who could not resist him, the water of the Yamunâ forsooth became darker.
- (V. 15.) The king Madanachandra, a crost jewol amongst impetuous kings, was born from him, the lord who brought the circle of the earth under one sceptre, the splendour of the fire of his valor being great and mighty, and who even lowered the glory of Maghavan by his glory.
- (V. 16.) Hari, who had been commissioned by Hara in order to protect Vârâṇasî from the wicked Tarushka warrior, as the only one who was able to protect the earth, was again born from him, his name being renowned as Gôvindachandra.
- (V. 17.) Wonderful, the calfs of the celestial cows could not formerly get even drops of the milk stream to drink, on account of its continuous use for satisfying the hearts of supplicants; but after the multitude of these supplicants had been gladdened through the liberality of that king, they sat down to the feast of drinking the milk which is always plentiful and applied according to their wishes.
- (V. 18.) In the excellent cities of his adversaries, hunters by mistake do not pick up fallen necklaces, thinking them to be nooses for the deer in it, and hunters quickly remove the fallen gold ear-ring with sticks, the garlands in their hands shaking with fear, mistaking it for a snake on account of its large size.
- (V. 19.) The chariot of the sun was delayed because its span of horses were greedy after the mouthful of fresh, shining, thick grass on the roofs of the palaces in the towns of his uprooted foce; and also the moon became slow, because he had to protect the gazelle (in his orb), which was falling down, having become covetous after the grass.
- (V. 20.) Kumaradêvî, forsooth, was famous with that king, like Śri with Vishņu, and her praises were sung in the three worlds, and in the splendid harem of that king, she was indeed like the streak of the moon amongst the stars.
- (V. 21.) This vihára, an ornament to the earth, the round of which consists of nine segments, was made by her, and decorated as it were by Vasudhârâ herself in the shape of Târiņî, and even the Creator himself was taken with wonder when he saw it accomplished with the highest skill in the applying of wonderful arts and looking handsome with (the images of) gods.
- (V. 22.) Having prepared that copper-plate grant, which recorded the gift to srf-Dharma-chakra Jina, for so long a time as moon and sun endure on earth, and having given it to her, that Jambuki was made (?) the foremost of all pattalikâs by her (Kumaradêvî).

- (V. 23.) This Lord of the Turning of the Wheel was restored by her in accordance with the way in which he existed in the days of Dharmāśôka, the ruler of men, and even more wonderfully, and this vihāra for that sthavira was elaborately crected by her, and might he, placed there, stay there as long as moon and sun (endure).
- (V. 24.) If anyone on the surface of the world preserves her fame, she will be intent on bowing down at his pair of feet. You Jinas shall be witnesses. But if any fool robs her fame, then those lôkapūlas will quickly punish that wicked man in their wrath.
- (V. 25.) The poet in eight bháshás known as the trusted friend of the Banga-king, Sri-Kunda by name, the learned, who was the only lion to attack the crowds of the elephant-like heretics, who was a Rôhana mountain of the flashing jewels of poetical composition, he made this eulogy of her, charming with strings of letters beautifully arranged.
- (V. 26.) This prasasti has been engraved by the silpin Vamana on this excellent stone which rivals the rajavarta (i.e. Lapis Lazuli).

No. 52.— KRISHNAPURAM PLATES OF SADASIVARAYA. SAKA SAMVAT 1489.

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The temple of Śrî Vôňkaţåchalapati to which this set of copper-plates belongs, is situated in the middle of Krishnapuram, a village six miles south-east of Tinnevelly. The temple has some fine sculptures and a few inscriptions of later times. The copper-plates were kindly secured for us by Mr. N. Gôpalasvami Ayyangar, B.A., B.L., Deputy Collector, Kollogal, and we now edit them from impressions propared under our supervision.

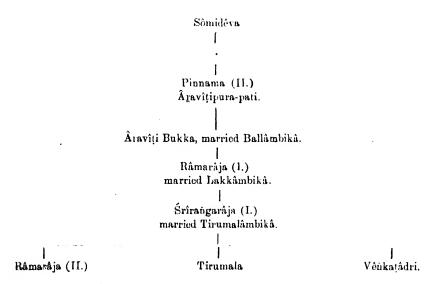
The plates are five in number, bound together by a ring, which has also a seal loosely strung to it. The upper half of the surface of the seal bears the figure of a standing boar facing the proper right; near its face is a dagger placed with its point downwards, and over it are cut out the figures of sun and moon. The lower half has a design not uncommon to the Vijayanagara seals. On the top of the first plate and immediately above the inscription is engraved the Srivaishnava nāmam (of the Tengalai sect) flanked on either side with the conch and the discus (of Vishuu). The plates (except the first) are numbered in Kannada-Telagu numerals engraved on the right-hand corner of the first side of each plate. The rims of the plates are raised; and the first and last plates are engraved on one side only.

The characters are Nandinâgarî, and the language, excepting the obeisance to Ganapati at the beginning, is Sanskrit verse. The signature at the end is as usual, the name of the tutelary deity of the Vijayanagara kings, $Sri\ Virûpdksha$, and is written in the Kannada alphabet. There are a few orthographical peculiarities worth noticing. The long vowel e is represented by the usual sign for θ with a secondary e-stroke on the top. This new long θ , as employed in our record, is the same as the vowel ai as written at the present day; but in the present inscription, this latter sound is represented by an ordinary short e with two secondary e symbols on it: $e.g.\ Ailâvalipura$ - occarring in line 114, Ainākula- in line 145, Ebirudarâyara- in line 191, and Ekaiva in line 210. The Dravidian rough r is represented, as in other Vijayanagara plates written in the Nandinâgarî alphabet, with a secondary r on the top of a common r; $e.g.\ Mûqu$ - occurring in line 94, -Savalakkâqam- in line 141, -pdqa- in line 146, Siqiya- in line 150, and -Aqaviti- in line 159. There are several minor errors in the inscription

such as omissions of letters, and of the anusvára and the visarga, wrong repetitions of the same words and phrases, etc.; these are noticed in footnotes under the text. The birudas of the king and of the chiefs are known from other sources.

The inscription belongs to the reign of Sadásivaraya of Vidyânagarî. It records that at the request of Tirumala, who was in his turn requested by Krishnappa Nayaka or Krishnabhûpati as he is called in the inscription, Sadásivaraya granted a number of villages to the god Tiruvênkaṭanâtha set up at Krishnappuram by Krishnappa Nayaka. The first part of the inscription gives in detail the genealogy of king Sadásiva which is identical with that given in the British Museum plates of the same king published by Prof. Kielhorn and No. 58 of the Nagamaṅgala tâluk of the Mysoro District, published by Mr. Rice. Herein also Sadásivaraya is described as being installed on the throne by the chief ministers at the instance of Râmaraja, who is here, as in the other plates, called his sister's husband. Later on (vv. 84-95) the inscription details the pedigree of the family to which Tirumala belonged.

The genealogy begins with Nanda, who is said to have been born in the race of the moon. In his race was born Chalikka and in the latter's Bijjalendra. Somideva, who captured seven forts, was born in his line. His grandson was Pinnama "lord of Ägaviţipura." His son was Āraviţi-Bukka, whose wife was Ballâmbikâ. Their son was Râmaraja who married Lakkâmbikâ. To them was born Śriraṅgaraja (I.) and his wife was Tirumalambikâ. Their sons were Râmaraja (II.), Tirumala (I.) and Venkaţadri. Tirumala is styled in the plates a Bhôja in poetry. Appended below is a genealogical tree of Tirumala's family:—



We learn from the British Museum plates that Råmaråja II., Tirumala and Vånkatådri belonged to the same family, from which Kondaråja of that grant was descended (see table above, Vol. IV., p. 4). Tirumala bears (vv. 98-101) the family birudas of amtembararagamda,

¹ Above, Vol. IV., p. 1.

² Ep. Carn., Vol. IV., p. 219 of the Romanised text portion.

⁸ Compare the British Museum Plate Inscription, above, Vol. IV., p. 3 f., No. 7 of the Hassan taluk, *Ep. Carn.*, Vol. V., Part I; and No. 186 of Chennapatna, *Ep. Carn.*, Vol. IX. Compare Prof. Kielhorn's remarks on the meaning of "sister" in this connection.

srimandalikayanda, birudamamniyavibhála, dharantvaráha, Kalyánapuranátha and Véngatribhuvanimalla. At the time at which the present grant was made, Rámarája, the powerful general and minister of Sadásiva, and his brother Vénkatádri had both been dead two years, they having fallen in the famous battle of Tálikóta on the 23rd January A.D. 1565. Tirumala, the second brother of Rámarája, now became the minister and commander and was the de facto king. In the course of the same or the beginning of the next year he was to become eventually the de jure king and founded the third dynasty of Vijayanagara.

Krishnappa Nâyaka, at whose request the present grant was made, is described as the grandson of Nâgama Nâyaka and the son by Nâgamâ of Viśvanâtha Nâyaka.² He has the birudas, Kāūchipuravarādhisvara, Môkālipaṭṭavardhana, Samayadrôharaganḍa, Samayakôlāhala, Ailāvalipuravarādhisvara, Pāṇḍyakulasthāpanāchārya and Dakshiṇasamudrādhipati (vv. 49-52).

In connection with the conquest of the Pândya country by the kings of Vijayanagara, we might notice that Narasa or Narasa Nâyaka, as he is more commonly called, is said to have subjugated Mânabhûsha, the king of Madura. We know that Narasa Nâyaka lived about the last quarter of the 15th century and that Mânabhûsha or Arikêsari Parâkrama Pândya began his reign in 1422 A.D. and ruled for at least 42 years, i.e. till about 1466 A.D. It is quite likely that this Pândya king was the one referred to as defeated by Narasa Nâyaka.

Our inscription is dated (vv. 44-45) in the Saka year 1489, computed by the nidhis (9), viranas (8), vidas (4), and indu (1), in the year Prabhava, on the Makara samkranti corresponding to the new moon tithi of the month Pushya, on a Monday. Sadásivarâya was then encamped on the island of Śrîraṅgam and made the grant in the presence of the god Raṅganātha. The last known date for Sadásivarâya is 1567 A.D.,7 some ten months carlier than that of our record, and hence it is likely that the king, after the disaster that befell him at Tâlikôta two years previously, was spending his last years, Śrîraṅgam as he was, at the sacred shrine of Śrîraṅgam. Of all Śrîraṅshava places of pilgrimage, Śrîraṅgam is the most sacred, and the Tuluva kings of Vijayanagara, at least those beginning with Krishṇadêvarâya, were very staunch Śrîraṅgam of Vijayanagara, at least those beginning with Krishṇadêvarâya, were very staunch Śrîraṅgam. Achyutadêvarâya, during his expedition against the Tiruvaḍi kingdom, is described, in the Achyutadêvarâya of Rajanāthakavi, as having halted at Śrîraṅgam and sent the son of one Sagaļarāja9 to conquer the Tiruvaḍi rājya. Hence it might not be wrong to suppose that Sadâsivarāya ended his days in Śrīraṅgam, but we have not any positive proofs to support our surmise.

¹ Compare verses 144-146 of the British Museum plates, where Kondaraja of this family wears similar birudas; above, Vol. IV., p. 21.

² Verses 53-54.

Verse 11. The word has been treated as an ordinary noun by Profs. Hultzsch and Kielhorn.

[•] The Dévulapalli plates give S. 1427 as a date falling in the reign of Immadi-Nrisimha; hence Narasa must have lived prior to this. See also feetnete 7, above, Vol. VII., p. 79. [It should be noted that Immadi Nrisimha was a Saluva, and not a Tuluva like Narasa. – S. K.]

⁵ Sendamil, Vol. IV., p. 117, and above, p. 229.

⁵ Sendamil, Vol. IV., p. 117.

¹ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I., Nos. 43-46, p. 70.

^{*} The Saluva kings were the disciples of Tatacharya. See Prapanadmritam. Krishnudêva wrote Amukta-malyada, Vishnuchiltiyam, works relating to the life incidents of the Śrivaishnava saint Periyalvar and his daughter Andal.

[•] This Sagaļarāja was the father-in-law of Achyutadêva and father of his wife Varadâmbâ. See Achyutarâyabhyudayam. Canto III, verso 48. The printed copy of this work reads the name as Salagarāja; see p. 77; but Mr. T. S. Kuppusâmi Śastri reads it as Sagalarāja, and we follow him in calling the father-in-law of Achyuta, Sagalarāja.

¹⁰ See Achyutarayatiya.dayam. Canto V., verse 64.

Krishnappa Nâyaka constructed a temple in the village of Krishnapuram and built a prākāra round it and a tower as high as the Mandara mountain over its entrance. In front of the shrine he erected a rangamandapa, standing on pillars containing exquisite sculptures and decorated with rows of beautiful creepers. In this newly constructed temple he set up the image of the god Tiruvênkaṭanātha. He built a big car for the deity and surrounded the temple with broad streets with a view to provide an easy circuit for the car. It was for the conduct of the daily $p\hat{u}jds$, for offerings, lighting, for incense, flower-garlands, etc., and for the annual celebration of the car and the floating festivals, that he requested and got from Sadāšivarāya the villages mentioned in the grant.

Though the Nâyakas are believed to have usurped the throne of the Pândyas, they still call themselves 'the establishers of the Pândya dynasty.' In corroboration of the claim of the Nâyakas of Madura to the title of Pândyakulasthāpanāchāryas, we see several hundreds of inscriptions belonging to the later Pândyas, scattered over the country believed to have been ruled over by the Nâyakas, showing that they were also ruling simultaneously with the Nâyakas. One of the later Pândyas, named "Śrîvallabha, is described, in the Pudukkôttai plates of Ativîrarâma Pândya,¹ as having established the Pândya kingdom. This Śrîvallabha must have been a contemporary of Narasâ Nâyaka, for he is the brother of Mânabhûsha defeated by Narasa.² How he established the Pândya kingdom and under what circumstances, is not apparent. But we see as a matter of fact the Pândyas ruling in a semi-independent condition over their ancestral kingdom till at least 1585 A.D.; what political relationship existed between them and the Nâyakas, we do not know.

At the end of the inscription, it is mentioned that Sabhapati Svayambhû was the composer of the *idsana*, and Viranacharya, son of Virana, was the engraver.

The places mentioned in the record are :-

Kiļavēmbu nāḍn in the Pāṇḍya maṇḍalam; Śrivallamaṅgalachāvaḍi in the above nāḍn; Ardhatintriṇi (Arappuļi ?), Villamarāyaṇ Neḍuṅguļam, Śavaļakkāraṇ kuṭam, Puliyaṅguṭa-ôḍai, Pirāyaṅkuṭam, Bhūsurataṭāka (Parpaguṭam, a corruption perhaps of Pāppāṅkuṭam), Kaṭṭikuṭam, Vēlaṁkuṭam Sundarapāṇḍyaṇ pudukkāl, Ai[ya*]ṇākuṭam, Śrikuṭam, Ēryāru Poryālaṅguṭam, Kokkantāmpārai (modern Kongandāmpārai), Paṇayaṅguṭam, Muttūr hill; Puttaṇeri, Āriyakuṭam, Kôḍikuṭam, Kuttukkāl, Muttūr, Rāmaṅguṭam, Ittampāttu, Śiriyālaṅguṭam, Pāṭṭaikuṭam, Murappunāḍu, Āṭikuḍi and Śrì-Krishṇapuram.

Of these Vêmba-nâḍa comprises the northern portions of the Native State of Travancore and of the District of Tinnevelly, and in the former state there is a large backwater lake known by the name of Vêmba-nâḍa-kâyal indicating the ancient name of the country where it is situated. We find the following names in the list of villages belonging to the Tinnevelly tâlnka of the same district and situated near Kṛishṇāpuram:—Pirayāṅkuļam, Pāppāṇkuļam,³ Vêlaṅkuļam, Sundarapāṇḍiyaṇ kâl, Koṅgandāmpāṇai, Paṇayāṅkuļam, Muttūr, Āriyakuļam, Murappanāḍu, and Kṛishṇāpuram. The other places we are unable to identify.

TEXT.4

First Plate.

- 1 श्रीगणाधिपतये नमः । नमस्तुंगिपरसुंविचंद्रचामर-
- 2 चारवे । श्रेलोक्यनगरारंभम्लस्तंभाय यांभवे ।(॥) [१*] श्रेक्तिनाव-

¹ Annual Report on Epigraphy for the year 1906, p. 72.

³ [The Pudukkôttai grant mentions Manabharana as the brother of Srîvallabha, and, besides, Mûnskavacha, whom Mr. Venkayya identifies with Arikêsarin Parakrama Pandya. The identification of Manabhûsha with any of these two is far from being certain.—S. K.]

³ It now goes popularly by the name Pappankulam. This name means "the Brahman's tank," and it has been translated into Sanskrit in the record.

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- 3 राइस्य दंष्ट्रादंडस्म पातु व: । इमाद्रिकलगा यत्र धात्री চ্ছেৰ(স্প) স্থি-
- ∮ यं दधौ ।(॥[२*] कऱ्याणायास्तु तद्दाम प्रत्यूच्नतिमिरापच्चं । यद्रजोप्य-
- गजोद्गृतं हरिणापि च पूज्यते ।(॥)[३*] ग्रस्ति चीरमयाहेवैमीय्यमाना-
- 6 नाडांबुधे: । नवनीतिमवोद्भूतमपनीततमो मद्यः ।(॥)[४*] तस्यासीत्त-
- 7 'नुयस्तपोभिरतुलैरन्वर्थनामा बुध: पुर्व्वरस्य पुरुरवा भुजब-
- 8 [लै]रायर्डिवां 'निम्नत: । तस्यायुर्नेह्नपोस्य तस्य परुषो युद्धे यया-
- 9 ति $[:^*]$ चितौ । ख्यातस्तस्य तु तुर्वेमुर्वेसुनिभः स्रोदेवयानीयतेः ।(॥)[५ *] तद्दंगे
- 10 देवजीजानिहिंदीपे तिमभूपति: । यशस्त्री तुळवेंद्रेषु यदी: क्रण
- 11 इवान्वये ।(॥)[६*] ततीभूडुक्कमाजानिरीखरिचालिकः। प्रत्रासमगु-
- 12 गक्षंगं मौक्रिरत्नं महीभुजां [॥०*] सरसादुदभृत्तसात्ररसावनिपा-
- 13 लक्त: । देवकीनंदनात्कामी देवकीनंदनादिव ।(॥)[८*] विविधमुकृ-
- 14 तोहामे रामेष्वरप्रमुखे अमुद्रमुदितद्वदय स्थाने स्थाने व्यथत्त य-
- 15 थाविधि [1*] बुधपरिष्ठती नानादानानि यो भुवि षोडम त्रिभवनज-
- 16 नोद्रीतं स्फीतं यग: पुनक्त्रय [॥८*] न्लावेरीमाशु बध्वा(ब्रा) बङ्कजल-
- 17 रयां तां विलंध्येव शत्रुं जीवग्राइं गृहीता समिति भुजबला-
- 18 त्तंवराज्यं तदीयं [।*] कत्वा श्रीरंगपूर्व तदिप निजवमे पहणं
- 19 यो बभासे (1) कीर्त्तिस्तंभं निखाय त्रिभु वनभवनस्तू यमानापदा-
- 20 न: ।(॥)[१०*] चेरं चोऊं च पांडां तमिष च मधुरावक्षमं मानभूषं वीर्यो-
- 21 दमं तुरुष्कं गजपतिनृपतिं चापि जिला तदान्यान् । ऋागं-
- 22 गातीरलंकाप्रथमचरमभूस्त्तटांतं नितातं ख्यातः चोणी-
- 23 पतीनां स्रजमित्र शिरमां शासनं यो व्यतानीत् ।(॥) [११*] तिपाजीना-
- 24 गलादेव्योः कीसल्यात्रीसुमित्रयोः । देव्योरिव नृसिंहेंद्रात्तस्मा-
- 25 त्यं ड्रियादिव ।(॥) [१२*] वीरो विनयी नाम[म]लक्ष्मणाविव नादनी ।
- 20 जाती वीरनृसिंहेंद्रक्षणरायमहोपती ।(॥) [१३*] रंगचितींद्राच्यतदे-
- 27 वरायी रचाधुरीणाविव नंदसी । श्रीवांविकायां नरसचि-

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- 28 तींद्रादुभावभृतान्त्रुरगेंद्रसारी ।(॥)[१४*] वीरत्रीनारसिंइस
- 29 विजयनगरे रक्षसिंहासनस्यः कीर्त्या नीत्या निरस्यनृग-

¹ Read वनय.º

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² Read °शयुर्विषां.

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^{*} Read "vifa".

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Read निर्मान रामस्त्रायादिव Read मंदनी

[·] Read with the British Museum plates रामकणी.

¹⁰ The British Museum plates read भूतां कर रवेंद्र , which Prof. Kielhorn proposes to correct into भूता वरकेंद्र .
[I would suggest 'तासुरवन्द . - 8. K]

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- 30 नकनहुषानप्यवन्यासयान्यान् । द्या संतीरा सुमेरीरवनि-
- 31 मुरनुत: खैरमा चोटयादे (1) रा '[पा]बात्याचलांतादखिलहृद-
- 32 यमावर्ज्य राज्यं प्रशास ।(॥)[१५*] नानादानान्यकार्षीत्कनकसदिस
- 33 यः श्रीविरूपाचरेवस्थाने श्रीकाळहस्तीशितुरपि नगरे वे
- 34 कटादी च कांचां । त्रीमैले मोणमैले महित हरिहरेहीबळे सं-
- 35 गमे च (।) त्रीरंगे कुंभकीणे इततमसि महानंदितीर्थं निवृत्ती [॥१६*]
- 36 गोकर्णे रामसेती जगित तदितरेवध्यभेषेषु पुरुषस्थानेवा-
- 37 रव्धनानाविधवष्टकमहादानवारिप्रवाहै: । यस्योदंचस्रंग-
- 38 प्रकरखुररजःगुथदंभोधिमग्नसाधत्पचच्छिदोद्यत्तर(लार)कु-
- 39 लिग्रधरोत्नं ठिता मुंठिताभूत् ।(॥)[१०*] ब्रह्मांडं विष्वचक्रं घटम्-
- 40 दितमहाभूतकं रबधेनं (1) सप्तांबोधींय' कल्पचितिरुहल-
- 41 तिके कांचनी कामधेन् ! स्वर्णस्मां यो हिरण्याखरथमपि
- 42 तुलापृरुषं गीसइसं (١) हिसावं इसगर्भ कनकारिरयं एं-
- 43 चलांगत्यतानीत् ।(॥) [१८*] प्राज्यं प्रशास्य निर्विघ्नं राज्यं द्यामिव शा-
- 44 सितं [1*] तिधानगुणेन विख्याते चितेरिंद्रे दिवं गते ।(॥)[१८*] ततीप्य-
- 45 वार्यवीर्य[;*] श्रीक्षणरायमचीपति: । बिभक्तिं मणिकेयुरनि-
- 46 विशेषं महीं भुजे ।(॥)[२०*] कीर्त्या यस्य ममंततः प्रगृतया विखं कचै-
- 47 क्यं व्रजे(।)दित्यागंका पुरा पुरारिरभवडाळेच ण्*: प्रायश: ।* पद्मा-
- 48 चोपि चतुर्भेजोजनि चतुर्वक्रीज्ञवल्पग्रभृः⁰ (।) काळी खड़म-
- 49 'याद्रमा च कामलं वीणां च वाणी करे।(॥)[२१*] शत्रुणां वासमेते दद-
- 50 त इति खपा किं [®]न [®]सप्तांबुरासी त्रानामेना त्त्रंगत्टित-¹⁰
- 51 वसुमतीवृक्तिकापाकिकाभिः । संग्रोस्य स्वैरमितत्पतिनिधि-12
- 52 जलधित्रेणिका यो विधत्ते (1) ब्रह्मांडखर्णमेरुप्रमुखनिज-
- 53 महादानतो यैरमेयै:13 ।(॥)[२२*] स्तुर्खोदार्थ्यसुधीभिसा विजयन-

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- 54 गरे रव्वनिंशासनस्यः स्मापालान्तृत्रारायितिपतिरध-
- 55 रीक्तत्य नीत्या नृगादीन् । या पूर्वाद्रेरयास्त चितिधरकटकादा
- 56 च डेमाचलांतादा सेतोरियसार्यत्रियमिड बडकोकत्य कीर्ला

पा looks like पा,

Read प्रसत्

- ⁷ Bead °धादमा. Read °तुरंगनुटित°.
- ত্তা looks like ত্ব

- 2 W is corrected from W.
- b The ব of মৰ looks like খ. Read শ instead of খ.
- 11 Read संभीष्य.
- ⁸ Read भीधीं⁰.
- Read W instead of W.
- Read "मी" instead of "सी".
- 12 Read e स्प्रति .

- बभासे ।(॥) [२३*] ज्ञतवित सुरलोवं क्रप्णराये निजांशं तदन 57 तदनुज-
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- यभूपे [1*] सभागधेयादचिरात्रजानामाखंडलावासमयाधिकः
- ढे।(॥)[२८*] तिंमांबावरगर्भमीतिकमणी रंगचितींद्रात्मज: चनालं-
- करणेन पालितमञ्जकणीटराज्यत्रिया । ग्रीयौँटार्यटयावता
- 71 स्वभगिनीभर्चा जगिचा]यिना (i) रामस्मापितनाष्यमात्यितसर्वैः
- क्रप्ताभिषेकक्रम: ।(॥)[२८*] श्रीविद्यानगरीललामनि महासाम्बाज्यसिं-
- श्वासने (ा) संतानद्र[रि]व स्क्रम्प्रिगरी संद्वत्य [वि*]वेषिकाः । भा से-
- 74 तोरपि चाहिमाद्रि रचयनुाची निजान्नाकरानार्वी पासय-
- 75 ते सदाग्रियमद्वारायश्विराय चमां ।(॥)[३०*] विख्यातविकांतिन-
- 76 यस्य यस्य पद्माभिषेके नियतं प्रजानां । श्वानंदबाष्पैरभिधि-
- 77 चमाना देवीपदं दर्भयते धरित्री ।(॥)[३१*] गोत्रोडार्वियारदं कुव-
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- 81 भोगशंगविभवेत्हामदानोद्दं धर्मेण स्मृतिमापती-
- 82 पि भवने दर्च प्रजारचणे । प्राप्तां यस्य भुजं भुजंगमिष्टभः
- 83 हिन्दंतिकर्मीपमं (1) पातिव्रत्वपतांकिति धर्षी जानेत स
- 84 वें जना: ।(॥)[३३*] यखेनाधूकिपाकी शक्तमशक्तसमुचाटने धूमरेखा

¹ Read "जिमें" instead of "भिं". 2 Read समुद्रशी^C

¹ Read onlawi.

[।] नी is corrected from स्थ.

⁴ Read 耳田

⁸ Read HE

[·] Read विशेषण: • Read धरणीं.

¹ Read निषय 0.

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85 रोमाक्की कीत्तिवध्वा इव भुवनमिदं सर्वमंतवेडंत्या: । [वे]-
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- 86 गी नाणीयसीव प्रकटितविद्वतेवीरतक्या रणाणे (।) शां-
- 87 त्ये जीमूतपङ्किः किस "शकलखलस्तोमदायानलानां [॥३४*] तुंगा-
- 88 मेव दयां पदांबुजयुगं शोणं च क्रप्णां तनुं रह्मा(क्रां) नीलिशतां 3
- 89 विवेणिमनवां वीचां गिरं नर्मदां [।*] तीत्यानीति [स]मावद्यत्य-
- 90 वयवै: श्रेषादिवासी विभु: प्रायो यस्य विश्रेषभितासुदित:
- 91 पद्टाभिषेकित्रिये ।(॥)[३५*] वीषिधपत्युपमायितगंडस्तीषण्कूप-
- 92 जितासमकांड: [1*] 'भाषगितप्यवरायरगंड: पोषणनिर्भरभू-
- 93 नवखंड: ।(॥)[३६*] राजाधिराजिबक्दो राजराजसमांइति: । स्वा-
- 94 राजराजमानश्रो[:*] श्रीराजपरमेखर: ।(॥)[३७*] सूर्र्रायरगंडांको
- 95 मेक्लंघियशोभर: । शरणागतमंदार: "पर[रा]जभयंकर: ।(॥)[३८*]
- 96 करदाखिलभूपाल: परदारमहोदर: । हिंदुरायसुरचाणिसं-
- 97 धुराजगभीरिधः ।(॥)[३८*] विष्टपत्रयविष्याती दुष्टशाई्लमहेन: ।
- 98 ग्ररीभगंडभेतंडो इरिभक्तिम्धानिधि: ।(॥)[४०*] वर्धमानापदानश्री-
- 99 रर्जनारीनटेखर: । इत्यादिवरुदैर्वेदितत्या¹⁰ नित्यमभिष्टुत: ।(॥)[४१*]
- 100 ^गनांभोजभोजकाळिंगकरहाटादिपार्स्थिवै: । सीविद्वपदं प्रा-
- 101 प्तैस्तंदर्भितन्त्रयोपदः ।(॥)[४२*] सीयं नीतिविधारदः सुरतक्सक्तील-13
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- 103 बाहावंगदनिविधेषमिखनां सर्वेसहास्दहन्विद्याणप-
- 104 रायणो विजयते वीरप्रतापीत्रतः ॥ [४३*] निधिवारणवेदेंद्रग-
- 105 णिते प्रकावत्वरे । प्रभवे वत्व[रि*] मासि पौषे मकरसंक्रमे ।(॥)[४४*] क्षणापचे च प्-
- 106 खायाममायां सोमवासरे । कावेर्याः पावने तीरे रंगनायस्य
- 107 संनिधी ।(॥)[४५*] काध्यपान्वयरह्नेन यायतात्वकीर्त्तिना । प्रखदाराध-
- 108 नाह्वष्टविद्यनायापितित्रिया ।(॥)[४६*] धर्ममर्भविदा नाणकर्भेठेन मनीष-
- 109 गा । दर्भदारिमहा(ही)पालयर्भदारिभुजीजसा ।(॥)[४०*] सत्याद्तांतरं-

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- 110 ग्रेण संस्कृत्यात्रयशीभिना । सिंहतेनाधिकं भूत्या सर्व-
- 111 न्नग(ग)गार्गाल्वना ।(॥)[४८*] श्रीमत्तांचीपुरवराधीखरांकीपशी-

¹ Read पंक्ति:.

[ा] Read सक्ख°.

Read funt.

[·] Read तीर्घा°.

⁶ स is corrected from perhaps स.

[•] Read **चीषधि**°.

r Rend भाषेंगें .

[&]quot; our is corrected from another letter.

[•] इंद्रशास्त्रामिक in the British Museum plates.

¹⁸ Read ° विद्दे°.

¹¹ Read कांबीज⁰.

¹² Read ^eपार्थि⁵.

¹⁴ Originally पावनी was written.

- 112 भिना । मोकालिपद्यर्वनिविख्यातिबद्दियता ।(॥)[४८*] समयद्रोध-
- 113 रगंडख्यातिना मनुनीतिना । प्रख्यातसमयकोलाइलचिक्केन
- 114 भास्तता ।(॥)[५०*] ऐलावळीप्रवराधीखरांनेन धीमता । मा[द्या]ति-
- 115 रुविद्यापसप्तांगहरणीजसा ।(॥)[५१ *] यशिवना 1 पाडाकुलस्था- 2
- 116 पनाचार्यकीत्तिना । मानीन(त्येन) दिचणमहासमुद्राधीखरेण च ।(॥)[५२*]
- 117 नागमस्मापपीत्रेण नकनाभागकीर्त्तिना । श्रीविध्वनायभूपा-
- 118 लिमंध्रियीतकभातुना ।(॥)[५३*] सुग्रीलनागमागर्भग्रितिमुत्तापलाल-
- 119 ना । क्रण्णभूपतिना पुण्यक्वीत्तिना कर्ज्[णा*]स्थिना।(॥)[५४*] परितः प्रण-वाकारप्र-
- 120 कारवलयांचितं । कमनीयशिलास्तंभकदंभीत्तंबितांवरं ।(॥) [५५*] विगं-
- 121 कटविटकाळीविराजद्रंगमंटपं । विधाय विपुत्तोत्तृंगगोप्-
- 122 रं देवमंदिरं ।(॥)[५६*] विशालां रथवीतीं च स्यंदनं मंदरीपमं । तच प्रति-
- 123 ष्टातार्ययीतारकब्रंह्मरूपिणे $^{\circ}$ ।(॥) [५७*] क्रक्णारसक्कोलवरुणालयचस्तु-
- 124 से(षे) । ग्ररणागतगी[वी]णभरणाधीनचेतसे ।(॥) [५८ *] कालचक्रघटीयंत्रक-
- 125 स्पनाशिस्पनारिणे । नीवस्थनस्पनितनानंदक्रीपन्ननीर्र्तये ।(॥) [५८*] नीस्तुभा-
- 126 रुण्पायोजपार्थि लीनाकिमोल्या । वनमालिक्या चारुवच्चे इतर-
- 127 चमे ।(॥)[६०*] इंदिराया "जगन्मातुर्भिदरायितवचसे । 8 च्छंदसामादिकंदाय
- 128 चंपकय्तिवासरे(से) ।(॥)[६१*] प्ररायाय वतामिंदृतरायाकराचारी $^{\circ}$ । हिरण्याः
- 129 म्रसंहर्ने भरखा ग्रहमिधिने ।(॥)[६२*] भंकायादिविव्धारातिहिंसाविधपटी-
- 130 यसे । संसारसागरीर्वाय पंसामानमतां सतां ।(॥)[६३*] नवनीतमुग्ने नंदर-
- 131 मणीशिचणीयतां । भ्रमिनीतवते श्रष्टपनीतनतातथे ।(॥)[६४*] निरली- कवची-
- 132 मूलमुरकीमधुरारवै: । तरकीकुर्वते गोपीक्मरलीलापराक्ष्यीः ।(॥)[६५*] म-
- 133 'श्मिन्कृत्वाप्रे पूर्णेसा(सां) निजं सस्पेयुषे । तिक्वेंकटनायाय विश्ववे प्रभ-
- 134 विश्ववे ।(॥)[६६*] भूपदीपस्धाद्वारमानापूपनिवेदनै:15 । नानापृष्पोपद्वारेख नै-
- 135 कदीपप्रदीपनैः ।(॥)[६७*] हत्तगीतम हावाद्यच्छत्र(स्र)चामरवैभवै: । निृत्यनै[म-

[ा] Read यशस्व[ः].

² Read पांचा.

^{*} Read °क दंगी°.

[·] Read °वीथीं.

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⁶ Read Oमालया.

Read "FETI".

[े] Read कंद्रसा

^{*} Read "चच्चि. Could it be that the passage should no read as भरव्याय सतानिद्वतरवयाकारचच्चे?

[&]quot; Read "FF.

¹¹ Read बांसादि".

¹² Read Hi.

¹⁴ R को गीपीस्मार[े].

Read Will.

¹⁵ The second ना looks like न .



नंतपूजां कर्त्तुं विशेषतः।(॥)[६८*] प्रतिवर्षसमारस्यरथोत्सवसमृदये । ग्रीम-136

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- 138 चमंडले । तां(ता)मपर्णीनदीतीरे पावने वासमाश्रितं ।(॥)[७०*] श्रोव-
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- कुसात । प्राचां त्रीप्रवळकार्रकुळसीमांचलादपि ।(॥) [७२*] पुळि-141
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- । ^३ऐन(क्क्रक्सीमांताद्वायवीमात्रितं दिशं ।(॥) [७५*] क्रायाचापि पचिमं 145
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² Read ^oदागेय[े]. 1 Read ेसम्हर्यः

The metre demands one more letter in this foot and hence we propose to read the name of this village as ऐ[यक]भाकुळ. [I would prefer to scan Ayind".—S. K.] • Read [©] मंग्रुक्तः

Read of weep?. ⁷ Read ^oकच्छारामेश संयुतं.

F Read व्यामकेणापि ? 8 Read अवशरकांश

P Read तड्डा.

u Read o कचा.

¹⁰ Road ेचीपि.

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7 A mistake for संपन्न के.

I The letters fat are engraved over an erasure.

¹ Read [ः]सामभव[ः].

² Read ेन्ट्रपतिश्राधि

Read 'सुद्यां.

⁴ Read °स्वन्:

Read अगदक .

[•] Read "HIE TO.

¹⁹ Read प्रवर.

¹⁰ Read 日节円 " Read विरेजि.

[&]quot; Read "सत्त्व भीर्थे. 11 Read 'सिला'. 14 Read विदश्तका

¹⁵ Ul is corrected from Wi.

¹⁶ Read "gin".

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188 भास्तत: । प्राज्यकर्णाठराज्यत्रीस्थापनाचार्यवित्रते: เ(แ)[೭७*] प्रा-
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189 नेयगोनपाथोजमार्त्तांडस्य मनस्विन: । शंतेंबवरगंड-

190 स्य 'सिध्वंतिचतिरचिण: ।(॥)[८८*] 'विणितेयग्रेसी नानावर्णेश्वीमंड-

191 लीकगंडस्य । ऐ(ए)विषदरायराडुतवेस्वै कभुजंगविषदभ-

192 रितस्य ।(॥)[८८*] 'विख्या[त]विष्दमंनियविभाऊनीलस्य विजय-

193 श्रीलस्य । विखंभराभृतिस्फ्टविश्वतधरणीवराइबि-⁶

194 त्रस्य ।(॥)[१००*] कल्याणपुरनाषस्य प्रत्यारिममतेजसः । वेगिव-

195 भुवनीमक्कलिंगस्थिरयशोनिधे: ।(॥)[१०१*] स्त्रीमत्तिरुमलक्कापशे-

196 खरस्य दयांबुधे: । विन[यौ*]दार्यशीलस्य विन्निमिनुपालयन् ।(॥)[१०२*]

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197 परीत: प्रयति[:*] स्निग्दै: पुरीह्नितपुरीगमी: । विविधै-

198 विञ्जध: प्रग्नो(ग्नो)तपथिकौरथि(धि)कौर्गिरा ।(॥)[१०३*] सदाणिवमहारा-

199 यो माननीयो मनस्त्रिनां । सन्दिरण्यपयोधारापूर्वकं दत्तवा-

200 न्मुदा ।(॥)[१०४*]

201 सरससदाशिवरायित्तितिपतिवर्यस्य कीर्त्तिधर्यस्य [।*] शास-

202 निमदं 'सरासनदासरथेरिमतन्त्रेमदानरतेः' ।(॥)[१०५*] मृदुपदिमिति

203 तांच(ताच)श्रासनार्थं मिहतसदाशिवरायशासनेन । अभणदनु-

204 गुणं वचीमहिन्ना सरसतरेण सभापतिस्वयंभू: ।(॥)[१०६*] मदाशिवमहा-

205 रायशासनाद्वीरणात्मज: । लष्टा श्रीवीरणाचार्यो व्यलिखतां-

206 समामनं (॥)[१०७*] दानपालनयोर्भध्ये दाना[च्छे]योनुपालनं । दानाखर्भ-

207 मवाप्रीति पालनादच्युतं पदं ।(॥)[१०८*] स्वदत्ताद्विगुणं पुग्यं परदत्तानुपा-

208 लुनं। परदत्तापद्वारेण खदत्तं "निस्प्रलं भवेत्।(॥)[१०८*] खदत्तां परदत्तां

209 वा यो इरेति¹² वसुंधरां । षष्टिर्वर्षसङ्ख्राणि¹³ विष्टायां जायते क्रि(क्र)-

210 सि:।(॥) [११०*] ऐ(ए) कीव भगिनी लोको सर्वेषासेव भूभुजां। न भोज्या न करया-

211 ह्या देवदत्ता वसंधरा ।(॥)[१११*] मामान्यो[यं] धर्ममेतुन्टपाणां काले काले

212 पालुनीयो भवितः । सर्वानितान्त्राविनः पार्थिवेदान्भूयो भूयो याच-

213 ते रामचंद्र:॥ [११२*]

214 श्रीविक्पाच¹⁵

[।] Read सिन्धां

² Road वर्णितयश्रमी.

Bead विद्यासन

^{4 %} is corrected from the secondary i of the letter that follows, which was begun wrongly in the place of %.

[·] Read 'fatta'.

[ा] Read श्रासन°.

⁷ Read [○]दाशरयै:. ¹⁰ Read [○]दत्ताहि[○].

[#] Read [°]लिखशास[°]. ¹¹ Read निष्पत्तं

[•] Read ⁰ज्ञानारस्वर्ग⁰.

¹⁸ Read TE 40.

¹⁴ Read °सेतृन्पाचाः

¹⁸ In Kannada characters.

ABRIDGED TRANSLATION.

Verse 1 invokes Sambhu, v. 2 the boar incarnation of Vishnu, and v. 3 Ganêsa.

Vv. 4-5 trace the genealogy of the family from the Moon.

- (Vv. 6-7.) In his (i.e. Turvasu's) line was born the husband of Dêvakî. king Timma, as famous among the Tuluvas as Krishna was among the Yadus. To him was born king Îśvara, a jewelled crown of virtues to kings, (and) the husband of Bukkamâ.
- (V. 8.) To him, the son of Dêvakî, was born king Narasa, as Kâma (was born) from the son of Dêvakî (Krishna).
- Vv. 9-10 describe his generosity and his conquest of the kingdom of Tamcha (i.e. the Chola country) and Śrirangapaṭṭaṇa.
- (V. 11.) Conquering the Chêra and the Chêla, Mânabhûsha, the Pâṇḍya king of Madura, also the fierce Turushka, king Gajapati and others from the Ganges to Lanka, and from the Eastern to the Western mountains, he made all kings bear his commands on their heads as flowers on their crowns.
- (Vv. 12-14.) Of Tippājî and Nāgalādēvî, like Rāma and Lakshmana of Kausalyā and Sumitrā to Dašaratha, were born to him two sons Vîra-Nrisimha and Krishnarāya who were brave and modest. To him were also born of Obāmbikā two (more) sons able in protecting (the subjects), Rangakshitindra and Achyutadēvarāya.
- (V. 15.) Vira-Nârasimha, seated on the jewelled throne at Vijayanagara, eclipsing by fame and policy Nriga, Nala, Nahusha and others of the world, praised by the Brâhmanas from Sêtu to Mêru, from the Eastern to the Western mountains, ruled the kingdom pleasing the hearts of all people.

(Vv. 16-18.) His praises.

- (V. 19.) Having ruled his large kingdom without obstacles, the king of the earth, famous for his virtues, went to heaven as if to rule the kingdom of heaven.
- (V. 20.) After him, king Krishnaraya, of unabated valour, bore the whole of the earth on his shoulders with as much case as a jewelled bracelet.
 - (Vv. 21-23.) Praises of Krishparaya.
- (V. 24.) When Krishnarâya had taken for his part the world of the dêvas (i.e had died) his younger brother Achyutêndra, doer of good deeds, conqueror of foes, worshipper of Vishnu, who made gifts satisfying the desires of the learned, got for his share the whole of this earth.
 - (Vv. 25-26.) Praises of Achyutêndra.
- (V. 27.) When, having set up on earth a body in the form of his fame, Achyutêndra reached Visingu's abode, his brave son Vênkaţarâya ascended the throne.
- (Vv. 23-30.) He who was like the flower-arrowed Kâma, and was ruling his kingdom (well), owing to the bad luck of his subjects, soon went to the city of Indra. The son of Rangakshitindra and the precious pearl of the sacred womb of Timmâmbâ, king Sadâsivarâya, who was like the santâna tree on the hill of dêvas, was duly installed on the throne that was the jewel of the prosperous town, Śrî-Vidyânagarî, by king Râma, his sister's husband, the protector of the goddess Śrì of the great kingdom of Karnâṭa, who was an ornament to all Kshatriyas, who was endowed with valour, nobility and kindness, and by the chief ministers.
 - (Vv. 31-43.) Praises of Sadásivaráya.
- (Vv. 44-45.) On Monday, the new moon *iithi* of the dark half of the month Pausha, during the *Makara-samkramana*, in the year Prabhava, (corresponding to) the Saka year counted by the *nidhis* (9), the varanas (8), the rédas (4), and indu (1: (i.e. Saka 1489) on the banks of the sacred river Kavéri, in the presence of (the god) Ranganatha, (this grant is made).

(Vv. 46-57.) By Krishnabhûpati, of sacred fame, the ocean of mercy; who was the jewel of the family of Kâsyapa; on whom much wealth was conferred by (the god) Visvanatha, who was pleased with his devotion; who knew the truth about duty; who was always studying the art of protecting others; who was a wise man; whose mind was purified by truthfulness; who shone by his desire to do good actions; who possessed great wealth; who was endowed with the virtues of a wise man; who bore the title 'the lord of Kanchipura;' who was also the recipient of the famous title 'Mokâlipattavardhana;' who was also known as the 'Samayadrôhara-ganda;' whose policy was like that of Manu; who also shone by the celebrated distinction 'Samayakôlâhala;' who was also entitled 'the lord of Ailâvaļîpura;' who by his valour deprived the insolent king of the Tiruvadi-rajya of the seven (component) parts (of his kingdom); who was famous as the 'Pandyakulasthapanacharya;' who was the revered lord of the great Southern ocean; who was the grandson of king Nagama; who was equal to Nala and Nabhaga in fame; who was the cool moon of the ocean named king Visvanatha; who was the pearl of the oyster, vis. the womb of the virtuous Nagama, -was built a temple at Krishnapura, which was encircled by a wall of the shape of the pranava and a broad and lofty tower. It has a large ranga-mandapa raised on a collection of beautiful stone pillars and adorned with rows of spouts (?). He built a car like the Mandara mountain and also broad roads round the temple, for the propitiation of the god Vishau set up there (i.e. in the temple),

[(Vv. 58-66.) Praises of the god set up in the temple of Krishnapuram.]

(Vv. 67-69.) (For the worship of the god Vishnu) who shone in this place under the name of Tiruvéňkaṭanātha, by means of burning incense, by lights, and by the offering of good food, cakes, etc., by means of offerings of several kinds of flowers by illumination with many lights, by means of dancing, singing and music, with umbrellas, chauris, on days both ordinary and special, for the car festival at the beginning of each year, for the floating festival during the hot season, and for the yātrôtsava,

(Vv. 70.82.) The excellent village known by the name of Śrî Krishnāpura, resplendent with cereals,—including the villages known as Puttanēri, Āriyakuļam, Kōṭikkuļam, Kuttukkal, Muttūr Rāmatguļam, Ittampāṭṭu, Śiṣiyālaṅguļam, Pāṭaikkulam together with thirteen bhū in Muṣappunāḍu (and) Ālikuḍi, which is situated in the Kiļavēmbu-nāḍu belonging to the Pāṇḍya-maṇḍala, on the banks of the pure river Tāmraparṇi, in the chānaḍi known as Śrivallamaṅgalam, and which is situated to the north-east of the road commencing with the Arddhatintriṇi tree, etc.; east of Villamarāya's charity and the famous Neḍuṅguḷam and of the extreme limits of Śrî-Śavalakkāṇaṅ-kuḷam; south-east of Puḷiyaṅguḷa-ðḍai, Kulappirāyankuḷam and of the extreme limits of Bhūsura-taṭāka; south of the extreme limits of Kallikkuḷam; south-west of the Vċlaṅguḷa channel; west of Śrī-Sundara-Pāṇḍya's new channel; north-west of the extreme limits of Ainākuḷam; north of the extreme limits of Śrîkuḷam, Ēryāru-Peryālaṅguḷam and of Kokkantāmpāṇa and Panayaṅkuḷam; and north-east of the hill known as Muttūrmala—is to be enjoyed by (this god) Vāṅkaṭēāa ns a sarvamānya.

. (Vv. 96 and 102 to 104.) Having been requested by Krishnabhûpati, the fruit of the long penance of Viśvanātha, whose eyes are the ocean of mercy, Tirumala Rāja respectfully requested Sadāśivarāya, the respected of the learned men, who, surrounded by his staunch friends, priests, followers, all kinds of learned men, and ambassadors and by their advice, made this gift joyously with gold and pouring of water.

Vv. 105-106 mention that Sabhâpati Svayambhu wrote the sisana.

V. 107 mentions that Vîranâchârya, son of Vîrana, engraved the document.

Vv. 108-112: the usual imprecatory verses.

Line 214. 'The signature ' Śrî Virūpāksha' in the Kannada alphabet.

No. 53.—ARANG COPPER-PLATE OF BHIMASENA II.

GUPTA-SAMVAT 282.

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This copper-plate was found by me with Sri Krishna Mâlguzâr of Ârang on my visit to that place on the 31st May 1908. Arang is 22 miles cast of Raipur, the headquarters of the Chhattisgarh Division in the Central Provinces. It contains several ancient remains and it was there that another plate in box-headed characters belonging to Mahâ-Jayadêva² was found. There is also another mutilated inscription at the place on a stone in characters like those in which the inscriptions of Sirpur,3 which is 15 miles from Arang, are ougraved. The details as to the exact find-spot of our inscription are not available, as Srî Krishna told me that it was found long ago by one of his ancestors, and as no Pandits could read it, it was stowed away, so that being out of sight, it got out of mind. He, however, assured me he had heard from his ancestors that it was dug up in Arang itself and that it was not brought from any other place. There is only one plate with an uncut ring passing through a round hole, its ends being soldered to a round seal. The plate measures 104" × 4" and has irregular edges and an uneven surface, partly corroded. In spite of this, the letters are all visible except two or three (Il. 6 and 11) which have been much worn out and are difficult to decipher. The seal is a little brittlish and has in basrelieve a lion in a sitting posture as the family crest, beneath which are inscribed in raised letters Šri-mahārāja-Bhimasenasya.

The inscription contains 13 lines, 9 on the obverse and 4 on the reverse side. The average size of letters is $\frac{3}{6}$ ". The characters belong to the Northern class of alphabets of the type, which, according to Dr. Fleet, "may be called the standard alphabet, with northern characteristics, of Central India from towards the end of the 5th to the middle of the 6th century A. D." There are also numerical symbols for 200, 80, 2, 10 and 8, the last being doubtful. The language of the record is Sanskrit prose except the imprecatory verse in 11. 11 and 12. In respect of orthography, we have to notice the use of the dental nasal instead of the anisvára before i in vansyaih (1, 10) and instead of the class nasal before a guttural in $pid\delta n$ -kuryát (in the same line). Letters with a ripha have been mostly doubled. The vowel sign for i occurs in δri (1, 2) and δt is sometimes denoted by a short vertical stroke after the consonant to which it is joined, at other times by a top curve, especially when combined with δt or δt (1, 2, 3, 5, 10 and 12). Final forms of δt occurs in 11, 6, 7 and 11.

The object of the inscription is to record the grant of a village named Vaṭapallikā in the district of Dōṇḍā by the Mahārāja Bhīmasēna II. to two Brāhmans Harisvāmin and Bappasvāmin, both of the Bharadvāja-gōtra and students of the Rigvāda. The charter was issued from the Suvarṇṇanadì (river), where apparently the donor had gone to bathe on some fostival. The genealogy of Bhīmasēna is given for six generations, thus:—Bhīmasēna (II.), son of Dayitavarmman (II.), son of Bhīmasēna (I.), son of Vibhīshaṇa, son of Dayita (I.), son of Sūra; but it is not clear to which particular dynasty they belonged. They are stated to have been born of a family celebrated for its dignity like that of royal ascetics (rājarshitulyakula). From this it

¹ Cunningham's Reports, Vol. XVII. p. 20 et seq.

^{*} Cupta Inscriptions, p. 191.

S Cunningham's Reports, Vol. XVII. v. 23 et seq. Gupta Inscriptions, p. 117.

This probably refers to the Gupta family. In the Udayagiri case inscription (vide Gupta Inscriptions, p. 35) Chandragupta II, is called "rájádhirájarshi," which implies that he combined in him both regal and religious qualifications, an ideal to which the feudatory chiefs would be prone to like their own families. In reference to his sovereign lord, Bhimaséna could not arrogate the title of rájarshi to his family and that seems to be the reason why he inserts the word tulya (like). For similar reasons it appears their northern feudatories called themselves Pariorájaka, which means 'a religious mendicant.'

may be inferred that they were something like the Parivrājaka Mahārājas of Dabhālā (Jubbulpore country) and were like them vassals of the Early (or Imperial) Guptas in whose era our inscription is dated.\(^1\) The Parivr\(^1\)jaka inscriptions range from 475 to 528 A.D., and ours belongs to the Gupta year 282 or A.D. 601. Our inscription introduces us to another similar family under the overlordship of the Guptas, which apparently continued to be acknowledged, at least in Chhattisgarh, up to so late a date as the commencement of the 7th century A.D. It was in the middle of the 4th century that Samudra-Gupta conquered the Mahakôsala (Chhattisgarh) country, by defeating the then ruling king Mahêndra, of whom we know nothing beyond his name and so have no materials to establish any connection between him and the dynasty of our inscription. We know that Mahêndra was not ousted. He was liberated,2 and his dynasty must have continued to rule for about 100 years, if Bhîmasêna's family was a different one. The first king Sûra of the latter line must have flourished in the middle of the 5th century, to judge from the number of generations which intervened between the two. In Chhattisgarh several dynasties have ruled and many inscriptions have been found, but ours is the only one among them which is dated in the Gupta era. In other parts of India, too, inscriptions referring to the Guptas have been discovered, and their ora remained in use even after their imperial power had come to an end. That is, in the words of Dr. Fleet, though the direct line of the Early Gupta dynasty itself may have become extinct, Gupta dominion still continued, and the name of the Gupta kings was still recognised as a power down to A.D. 601. Prior to the discovery of our inscription, the latest date expressly given in the Gupta era was only 528 A.D.3 It is true that the inscriptions of the Valabhî kings shew that the Gupta era continued in use in Kâthiâwâd, and some neighbouring parts of Gujarat, at least as late as A.D. 766,4 but the era has not been specifically named after the Guptas in them.

The exact date of our inscription appears to be the 18th of the Bhâdra month of the Gupta year 282. It does not admit of verification, as the week day is not mentioned. Its English equivalent, as calculated by Mr. Gokul Prasåd, Tahsîldâr of Dhamtarî, is Tuesday, the 22nd August 601, on the assumption that the Gupta era began on 26th February 320 A.D. which is taken as the coronation day of Chandra Gupta I.⁵ The accuracy of the above calculation cannot, however, be relied on, owing to the uncertainty as to whether the date is really the 18th, the figure for 8 being doubtful. Again, there is the question of intercalation⁶ and the alteration of the commencement of the year by the Valabhî kings who put it back 7 months, which may also interfere with the reckoning. So much, however, is certain that our inscription was recorded in the year 601 A.D. With regard to geographical names, Suvarnanadî is apparently the Sôn, which rises from the Amarkantak hills and after a course of about 40 miles in Chhattîsgarh finally joins the Ganges. It has been identified with the Sonos of Arrian as also with his Erannoboas, the other Sanskrit name of the Sôn being Hiranyavâha or Hiranyavâhin. The Sôn is frequently mentioned in Hindû literature, in the Râmâyanas of Vâlmîki and Tulsîdâs,

¹ [Cunningham describes (*Reports*, Vol. IX. p. 26) two silver coins of a certain Bhimasèna, who must have belonged to a dynasty which succeeded the Guptas. The peacock device of the Guptas is continued on these coins, but the faces of the obverse are turned to the left as if to denote a change of dynasty.—Ed.]

² Gupta Inscriptions, p. 12.

³ Ibid. Introduction, p. 8. [The Tezpur inscription dated Gupta 510 is of a different kind. See Kielhorn, Göttinger Nachrichten, 1905, pp. 465 and ff.—S. K.] [The Ganjam District plates of Sasankaraja are dated in the Gaupta year 300 corresponding to A.D. 619-20 (above, Vol. VI. p. 143)—V. Venkayya.]

⁴ Ibid. p. 13. The Verawal inscription is dated in Valabhi-Sainvat 945 or 1264 A.D., thus extending its use to a period 500 years still later (see Indian Antiquary, 1891, p. 385).

Smith's Early History of India, 2nd Edition, p. 266.

[•] For a discussion on this subject, see Dr. Kielhorn's postscript to my article on the Betûl plates (above, Vol. VIII. v. 288).

¹ Sec Indian Antiquary, 1902, p. 257.

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the Bhilgavata and other works. There are numerous legends about it, one of the most picturesque assigning the origin of the Son and Narmadâ to two tears dropped by Brahmâ, one on either side of the Amarkantak range. Its waters possess great sanctity, the performance of sindbyd on its banks ensuring absolution and the attainment of heaven even to the slayer of a Brâhman. This must therefore be the river, the third in India, as recorded by Arrian, whence Bhimasena issued his charter, and net another Son flowing in the south of the Bilaspur district, falling into the Borai which joins the Mahanadi. As for Donda and Vatapallika, the latter of which must be looked for in a form such as Badapall or Barapall, there are so many places in Chhattisgarh bearing these names that it is difficult to say which particular ones were meant. The nearest Dôndâ or Dundâ, as we now find it, is one situated 25 miles west of Ârang, where the plate was found, and the nearest Barapali is 30 miles east of Arang and about 50 miles east of Dunda. It is included in the present Kaudia Zamindari on the other side of the Mahanadi. It would then appear that Arang also was in those days included in the Donda district, and the donces, if they were residents of Arang, lived half-way between the headquarters of the district and the village granted to them.

TEXT.

Seal.

Śrî-mahârâja-Bhîmasênasya.

First Side.

- Ôm³ svasti [II*] Suvarnnanadyāh [sa]rvva4-sadrājarshi-tulya-kula-prabhāva-kirttêḥ šrî-mahârâja-Sûrasya prapautrah prajâ-
- dayitasya śrî-[ma]hârâja-Dayitasya pautrah pranata-sâmantasy=ârâti-vibhîshanasya śrî-mahârâja-Vibhisha-
- śakti-siddhi-sampanno dharmma-vijayî nyay-oparjjit-aneka-ratnanasya putrah gô-bhûmi-suvarnna-hirany-âdi-pradah śrî-
- mahârâja-Bhimasênah tasya putrah ta[ch-chari]t-ânukârî sadbhir=mmahadbhis=ch= âddhyushitasadah śri-maharaja-Dayitavarmma
- tasya pu[tra]h tat-påd-ânuddhyâtô-tya[nta]-dêva-guru-brâhmaṇa-bhaktaḥ śrî-mahârâja-5 Bhimasenah kuśali Donda-
- [brâhmauâdîn=pra]tivâsinah [ku]śalam=uktvå samajñåvaishayika-Vatapallikayam payaty=êsha grâmô mayâ
- punya-bhivriddhayê Bharadvajabhadra-bhôgên-aiva måtåpitrör=åtmanas=cha 7 sagótrábhyáin Bahvricha-Harisvámi-Bappasvámibhyám
- dattas=tad=bhavadbhir= sarvvapratyáyaván-mahápralaya-ká[1-å]vasthá[py-å]grahárð anayôr=âjña-śravana-vidh@yair=bh@tva samuchita-
- m=6ya6 suvarnna-hirany-ådi-pratyåy-ôpanayah karttavyah [||*] ya5-oh=âtra [ka]śchid= ubbaya-lôka-nirapêkshah san=dasa-

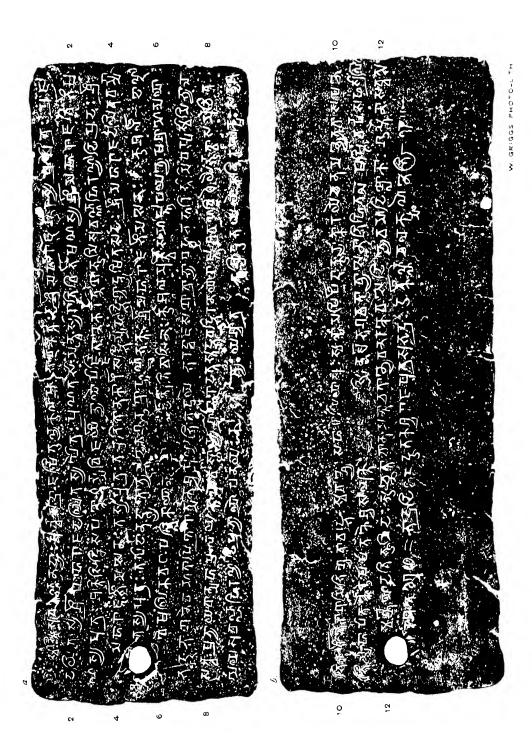
¹ See article on Son in the new Imperial Gazetteer

² From the original plate.

^{*} Expressed by a symbol.

Bead =ch=adhyushita". [I read parvva-.—S. K.]

Read -meva for -meya- as in 1, 15 of the Broach copper-plate of Samgamasimha (J. Bo. B. R. A. S. Vol. XX. p. 214, text-line 3.)-S. K.]



Second Side.

- 10 bhir-atîtair-âgâmibhis-ch-aitâvadbhih svavansy[ai]h¹ sah-âdhô [y]iyâsuh svalpâm-api pîḍân-ku[ryyâ]t³-kârayêd-anumanyêta vâ sa pañcha-
- 11 bhir=mmahapatakair-upapatakais-cha sa[m]yuktah [syāt punas-ch=ā]sminn=arthð bhagavatā Vyāsēn=ābhihitam shashtim varsha-sahasrāni
- 12 svarggê mêdati bhûmidah [[*] âchchhêttâ ch-ânumantâ cha tâny-éva narakê vasêd-ity-êvamâdi-élêkâh Guptānam samvvatsa-
- 13 ra-saté 200 80 2 Bhádra di 10 83 dútakaś-cha ràjaputra-Subhadraḥ utkîrṇṇain cha Lakshmaṇên-êti || ||

TRANSLATION.

- (Id. 1 to 4.) Om! Hail! From Suvarnanadi; the illustrious Mahārāja Bhimasena, possessed of power and success, triumphant with virtue (and) giver of many lawfully acquired jewels, cows, land, gold, precious metals, etc. (was) the great grandson of the illustrious Mahārāja Sūra, (who was) equal to all virtuous royal sages in lineage, power and fame, the grandson of the illustrious Mahārāja Dayita, beloved of his subjects, the son of the illustrious Mahārāja Vibhishana to whom feudatory kings bowed (and who was) terrific to his enemies.
- (Ll. 4 to 6.) His son (was) the illustrious Mahārāja Dayitavarman, the follower of his (father's) conduct, whose court was attended by great and good (personages). His son (is) the illustrious Mahārāja Bhīmasēna, who meditates on his (father's) feet and is extremely devoted to the gods, preceptors and Brāhmans. (Ha) being in good health (and) wishing good luck to Brāhmans and other (inhabitants) of Vaṭapallikā in the district of Donda, orders (as follows):—
- (Ll. 6 to 8.) This village is given by me, while ruling prosperously, for the purpose of increasing the religious merit of (my) mother, father and myself, to Harisvamin and Bappasvamin (both) of the Bharadvaja gotra, (students) of the Rigvada, as an agrahara, with all taxes, and lasting up to the time of the great dissolution of the universe.
- (Ll. 8 to 13.) Therefore, being obedient to their commands, you should render (to them) in proper manner the taxes such as gold and bullion, etc. If anybody, being regardless of the two worlds and wishing to go to hell with ten past and (a similar number of) future (generations) of his family, does, causes to be done, or assents to even a small harm to this (charity), he would become joined with five great sins and also minor sins. Moreover, in this matter it has been said by the venerable Vyas: "the giver of land enjoys in heaven for sixty thousand years, (but) the confiscator (of a grant) and he who assents (to an act of confiscation) shall dwell for the same number of years in hell," and so forth (in other) verses. In the year of the Guptas in hundreds 200, 80 2 (in the month of) Bhadra on the day 10 8(?). Prince Subhadra was the dûtaka (officer carrying the king's orders). Engraved by Lakshmana.

¹ Read °vamíyaih. 2 Read pldám kuryyát.

I am indebted to Dr. Konow in helping me to elucidate these somewhat curiously formed figures.

^{*} A grant made in favour of a god or a Brahmana.

I.e. regardless of the consequences which may follow in this and the next world

[•] For these see Ydjūavalkya-smriti, verse 227 of the Prayaschittadhyaya. They are: killing a Brahman, drinking, theft, visiting a preceptor's wife, and association with any of these offences. The minor offences are enumerated further on from verses 234 to 242.

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4, para. 1, line 7,—for Mahêndrapaladêva read Mahêndrapâladêva.
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                  " 10,-for Haddala read Haddala.
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        7, footnote 17, line 1,—for nistrimsa read nistrimsa.
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       9, text-line 46,—for -bhapalams= read -bhapalams=.
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      16, line 3 from bottom,—for Santaras read Santaras.
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               9,-for Aluva read Aluva.
      48, line 2 from bottom,—for Chêdi read Chêdi.
      56, line 1,-for Thursday read Friday.
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      58, para. 2, line 2,—for Godavari read Kistna.
      60, line 13 from the top,—for Jhalrapatan read Jhalrapatan.
      65, footnote 6, line 1,—for actua read actual.
       71, line 4 from the top,-[I think the word tâmbûliya should mean "betel chewed
           with areca-nut and chunam" which the women spat out of grief. This is red
           and may be compared to rubies (padmaraga).—H. K. S.]
       72, last line, -- for Jávalipura read Jáválipura.
       75, verse 12.-[There is no allusion to any legend here. The poet wants to say that
           Brahman out of arrogance (dambhatah) weighed the king's prowess (i.e. the
           sun) on one side and his fame (i.e. the moon) on the other and found the two
           balanced so well on the scale of which the rod was the (heavenly) Ganga, that
           the pin (kantaka) in the middle was dhrura (i.e. stable). The other meaning
           intended is the Pole star (Dhrava) which occupies the middle of the heavenly
           orbit and is almost fixed in space.—H. K. S.]
      99, last but one para., line 3, -for Polikesin read Polikesin.
      100, text-line 2,—for वन read वनं.
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                   17,-for जन्मी read सन्त्री.
      119, footnote 3, line 2,-for Sadra- read Sadra-.
      120, text-line 3,—for Maindòdarivashpa-read Maindòdarivashpa-
      125, line 10,-for Kandika-bandha read Kaudika-bandha.
      143, translation of B,--for Râûlja read Râjûla.
      156, footnote 5, last line, -for Kushmandini read Kushmandini.
      160, para. 3, line 5,—for Tirathgarh read Tîrathgarh.
      165, footnote, line 6,—for Dattakamimānsā read Dattakamimāmsā.
                      line 8,-for Rudrâmba read Rudrâmbâ.
      166, para. 3, line 2,—for 1783 read 1779.
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      168, line 9 from the top,—for Pâdî read Pâdi.
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      169, line 2,—för Låkshmidhara read Lakshmidhara.
      170, text-line 6,—for -prasûta sama[sta*]- read -prasûta-sama[sta*]-
      170, text-line 8, -- for ravidînê read ravidinê.
      171, para. 5, last line,—for "chehhrêshta read "chehhrêshtha.
      172, line 8,-insert a hyphen at the end of the line.
          footnote 7, line 2,-for Sambilaka read Sâmbilaka.
      175, line 4,-insert (Någarî) after Sanskrit.
      176, line 16,-for Mêdipôta read Mêdipôta.
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        " footnote 2,-for Yâjñavâlkya read Yâjñavalkya.
      178, line 13 from bottom,—for Målavå read Målava.
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Page 179, footnote 1, line 3,-for Sakkara-köttam read Śakkara-köttam.

" 180, footnote 5,-for Siyadoni read Sîyadoni.

, 181, para. 5, line 4,—[Mudhasêlî perhaps stands for the Telugu mudusali which means 'old, ancient;' i.e. a headman respected on account of old age; compare ndifumudumai; above, p. 21, footnote 3.—H. K. S.]

185, text-line 4,—for तप: पर्योधि read तप:पर्योधि.

" footnote 1, line 2,-for Devakûţa read Dêvakûţa.

, 205, para. 3, line 4, for Kartikêya read Karttikêya.

" footnote 7,-for Conjecvorum read Conjecveram.

223, No. 63, translation, line 2,—for Uttara=Phalguni read Uttara-Phalguni.

" 235, para. 3, line 2,—for Ayurur read Ayurur.

236, lines 15 and 17,-for Ayirar read Ayurur.

,, text-line 9,—for =kkî|- read kî|-.

237, text-line 17 and translation, line 7,-for Ayurur read Ayurur.

, 238, lines 3 and 11 and footnote 10,- Ditto.

" 257, footnote 4,—[From the Palnâdu inscriptions we learn that the Kâkatîya king Ganapati was ruling from his capital Orumgallu, already in Śaka-Samvat 1173 and that his daughter and successor Rudramahâdêvi was also ruling from the same city in Śaka 1191.—H. K. S.]

261, footnote 6, line 7 from bottom,—for Kulöttunga-Chôla I. read Kulöttunga-Chôda I.

, 266, line 4,-for Kakati read Kakati.

, 282, para. 5, line 4,-for Khariar read Khariar.

283, line 7,-for Tundra read Tundra.

" 284, translation, line 1,-for Sarabhapura read Sarabhapura.

" footnote 6, line 3,—for Jêjabhukti read Jêjâbhukti.

, 300, line 9,—[Comparing the symbol for i in 'pilupati with the i-symbol in 'parihinam' (line 19) and in 'ndirgha (line 24) it appears as if the form Mahapîlupati was also meant here as in the Sankhêda plate of Santilla (Ep. Ind. Vol. 11. p. 23).—H. K. S.]

, 307, table, 1st column,—for Gaznî read Ghaznî.

., ,, ,, 3rd ,, for Âdil Shah Aynâ read Âdil Shâh Aynâ.

, 313, line 2,—for Halavur read Halavûr and for Banvâsi read Banavâsi.

, 316, para. 3, line 3,-for bhandari read bhandari.

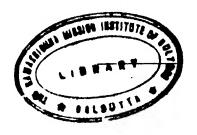
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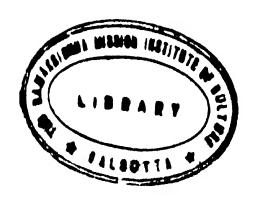
, 321, last para., line 6,-for 493 read 793.

, 330, footnote 8,—for Amuktamâlyada read Âmuktamâlyada and for Vishnuchittiyam read Vishnuchittiyam.

, 331, para. 4, line 7,-for Kuttukkâl read Kuttukkal.

" " " 8,-for Påttaikulam read Påtaikkulam.





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